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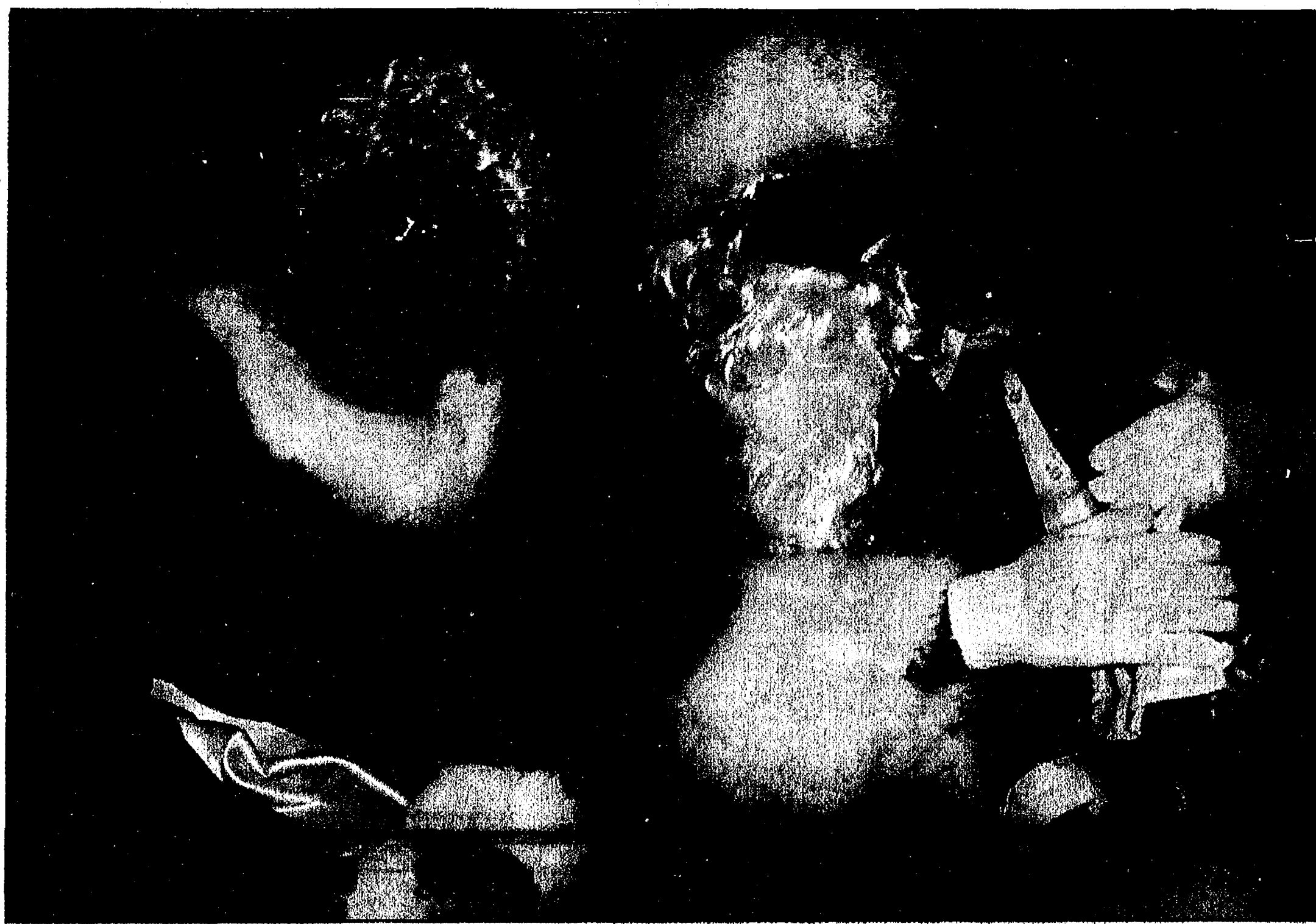
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## BREAKFAST WITH SANTA



Dozens of youngsters started their Saturday and the Christmas season off right with Breakfast With Santa, which was organized by the Grayling Promotion Association. Above, Medow Hull, 5, of Grayling visits with Mrs. Claus and Santa Claus. For more on the event, see Page 2A.

Photo by Dan Sanderson

## Donations sought for Christmas Help Week

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

Working hand-in-hand with the Toys for Tots program, the Christian Help Center is seeking donations and goodies to brighten the Christmas holiday for area families and seniors.

The Crawford County Community Christian Help Center is holding its "Christmas Help Week" from Wednesday, Dec. 14 through Wednesday, Dec. 21.

Volunteers at the Christian Help Center are seeking candy for children and boxed candy for senior citizens who are in need. Cash donations are also being sought, which will pay for vouchers that are given to families in the county so they can have a Christmas dinner.

"We are just trying to help them fill in the gaps, so they can have a Christmas like we had when we were kids," said Gerry Schroder, the coordinator for the Christian Help Center.

Volunteers provide vouchers for meals and candy to families who sign up for assistance through the Toys for Tots program.

The Christian Help Center has been authorized to conduct the local Toys for Tots program since 1998.

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## Grayling man sets series bowling record at Legion

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

A Grayling man bowled the highest recorded series at the American Legion Lounge and Lanes last week.

Larry Davis Jr. scored an 802 series while bowling in the American Men's League competition on Tuesday, Nov. 29. He shot a 259, 277 and 266 for his three games.

The previous series record for the American Legion Lounge and Lanes was set by Davis' friend, Dan Canfield, with a series total of 768 in 2003.

Davis, a longtime member of the McLean's Ace Hardware team, was not aware that he was on his way to recording a new record.

"Honestly, I didn't even know I had a shot at it," Davis said. "My friend, Al Angove, gave me a hug and told me congratulations, and I didn't even know what I had done. Everything just clicked"

Davis' name will be placed on a board at the lanes.

Sharon Johnson, the manager for the American Legion

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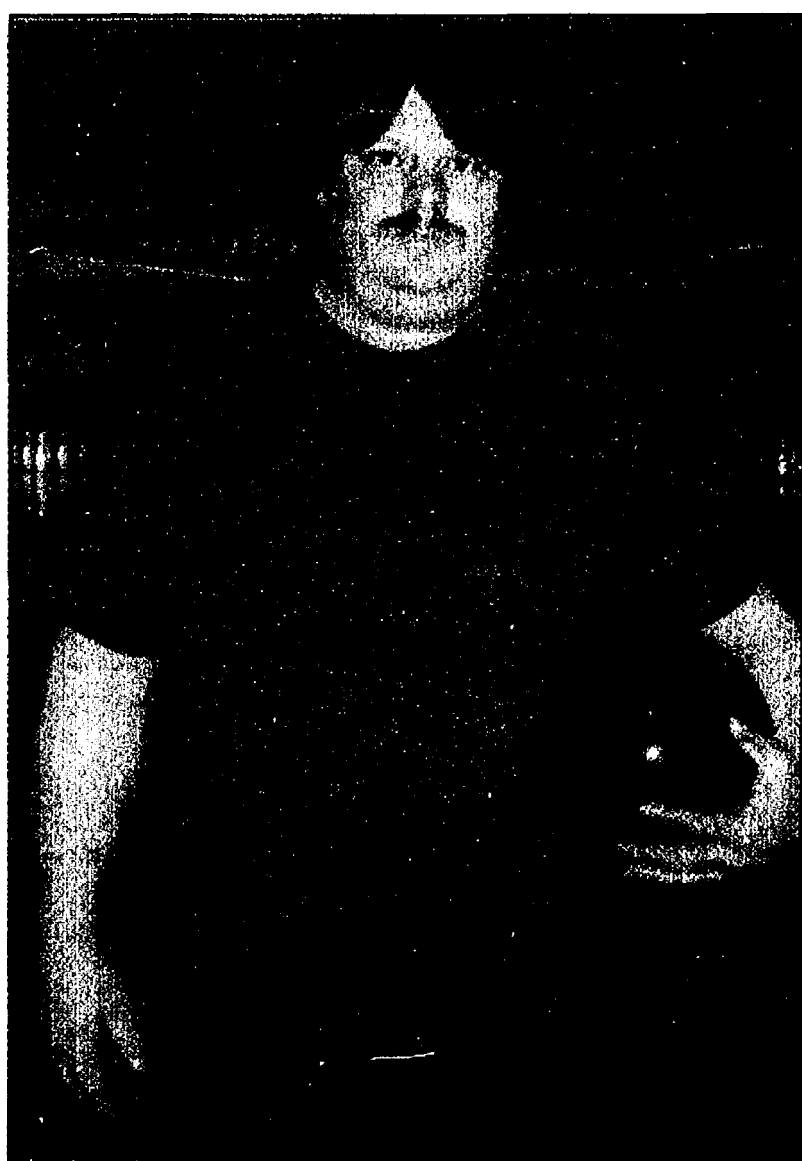


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## Weyerhaeuser plant takes safety measure for truckers

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

Taking pride in the products it produces, the Weyerhaeuser Oriented Strand Board Plant just south of Grayling is taking steps to ensure the safety of the men and women who transport goods from the mill.

Construction will be completed

ed on a 1,100 square foot tarping facility at the Weyerhaeuser plant next month.

The facility will include six stations which will allow truckers to tie their tarps, which protect the strand board from the elements, on their loads. Two overhead cranes in the facility will lift the tarps over the semi-

trailers, allowing the truckers to tie the tarps from the ground level.

Ken Jensen, interim general manager at the Weyerhaeuser plant, said that the company is trying to avoid having truckers climb on the trailers in a move to

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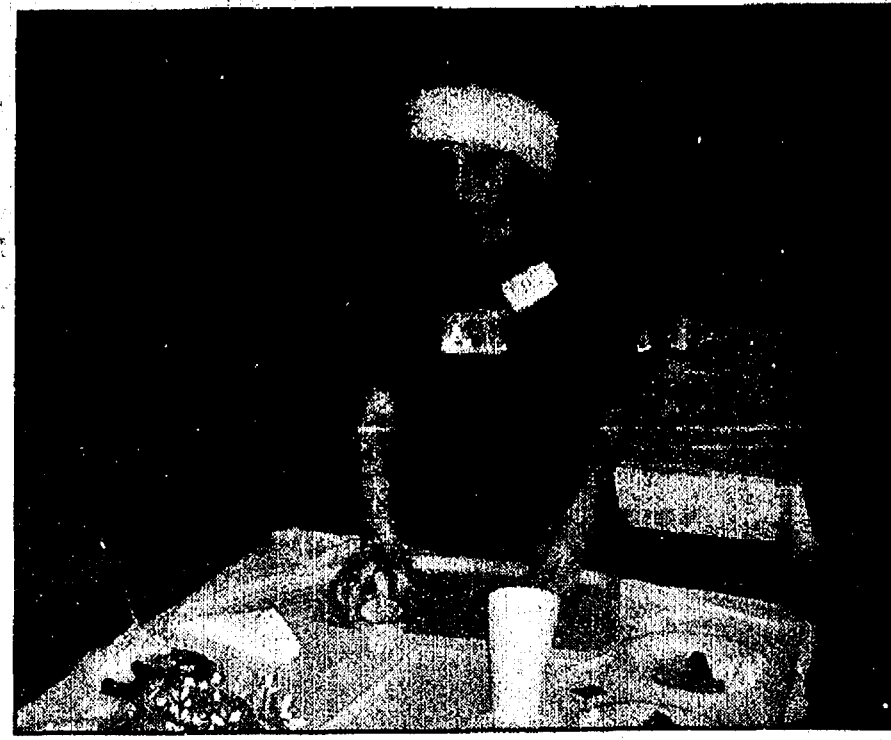
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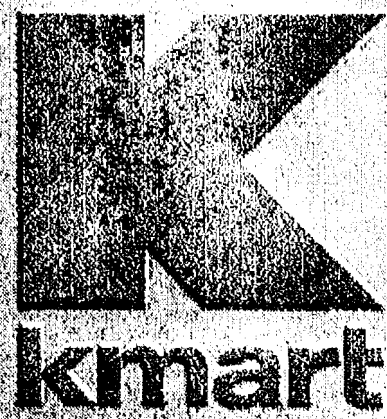
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# BREAKFAST WITH SANTA



Photos by Dan Sanderson

Breakfast With Santa was held on Saturday at the Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church. After eating french toast sticks and sausages served by elves such as Anthony Robinson, 13, above right, youth had a chance to do some shopping for their families. Above left, Grayling Promotional Association members Carole Herdrich and Linda Stephens wrap presents that youngsters purchased. Below left, Tyler Summers, 9, wraps a gift he purchased at Breakfast With Santa. Below, Jordan Houghton, 2, of Grayling enjoys a candy cane he received from Santa.



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## COPS FOR KIDS TREE SALE



Photo by Dan Sanderson  
The Crawford County Deputy Sheriff's Association annual Christmas tree sale is being held in the K-Mart parking lot. Current and retired sheriff's deputies are selling wreaths and trees at the sale, which is held from noon to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. Proceeds from the tree sale will help fund many activities organized throughout the year by the Cops for Kids Holiday Program, which puts deputies together with local at-risk children for a shopping trip to buy needed items such as hats, mittens and clothing. Above, Deputy John McDonald mans the tree sale.

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## City, township fund business lunches

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

Grayling Township and City of Grayling officials are courting businesses that may want to locate in the community as well as trying to keep existing businesses here by taking business owners out to lunch.

The Grayling City Council at its Nov. 28 meeting voted to spend \$1,000 on a lunch retention program being coordinated by the Crawford County Economic Development Partnership (EDP). The Grayling Township Board previously agreed to spend \$300 for the program.

The purpose of the lunch program is to allow business owners to inform city, township and EDP officials of their future plans, and how the municipalities may be able to help the firms address adding jobs, retaining jobs or expanding their

facilities.

"Economic development is about building relationships, and it's a lot easier to pick up the phone and ask for help if you know who is on the other end," said Gaila Gilliland, the economic development director for the EDP.

Gilliland and a member of the city council or township board will meet with business owners during the informal lunch meetings.

Grayling Mayor Larry Akers said the council opted to fund the program for one year.

"We're trying to keep the jobs we have here and trying to bring new jobs into the community," Akers said.

Grayling Township Supervisor Terry Wright said the township budgeted \$300 on a trial period since there are less businesses located in the township.

Wright and Gilliland recently held one of the lunch meetings with management from Arctic Glacier Co., formerly Northern Pure Ice.

Wright said officials are trying to avoid situations such as when Carlisle Paddle announced it was closing this year, and C.S.I. Industrial Systems, ceased operations three years ago.

"I think it's just a really good idea that we meet these people," Wright said. "If we can do anything to help a business better itself, expand and be a better part of the community, we want to do everything we can."

Officials are supporting the lunch programs financially since the EDP started earlier this year.

Gilliland said she understands that some people may be skeptical about the program, but has seen similar initiatives work in previous economic development

ventures she has been involved with.

"Economic development is not a flash in the pan type of thing," she said. "A community has to decide to pursue economic development for the long haul, and this lunch program is just one of the building blocks we are taking to build a solid economic development program in the community."

## Grant supports tire clean up

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

A total of \$680 in red ink left over from a countywide tire disposal program recently went away with a whoosh with help from employees from a local company.

Township and city officials who organize the annual Crawford County Scrap Tire Cleanup recently learned that a \$2,000 grant from the Weyerhaeuser Foundation was received to support the annual program.

Just over \$8,000 was budgeted for the cleanup. The grant means that \$680 in expenses not covered due to the amount of tires received from county residents and businesses will be covered. The six townships in Crawford County and the City of Grayling, a \$5,000 grant earmarked for environmental projects by Crawford County Board of Commissioners and contributions from area businesses and a previous grant from Weyerhaeuser helped fund the program.

"Since we have surplus, we can put remaining money into

next year's tire cleanup and we will have a headstart," said Kathi Moss, the environmental monitor for the Weyerhaeuser Oriented Strand Board mill located just south of Grayling.

Five semitrailers full of tires each year, for the last two years, have been removed from the county, including property owners who have had hundreds and dozens of tires on their property.

Last year, several tires were removed from area forests and companies who have large tires used for their equipment also took part in the program.

AJD Forest Products donated use of a semitractor trailer and a grapple, which was used to transfer tires from dumpsters into semitrailers. The Grayling Township Recycling Center also donated use of its equipment for the cleanup.

"I'm really proud of the community for coming together and taking care of a problem that not a lot of people think about," said Lee Riley, the Beaver Creek Township Supervisor and co-chairperson for the Crawford County Scrap Tire Cleanup.

Scrap tires can be a fire and health hazard as well as a nesting spot for mosquitoes.

Crawford County officials initiated the environmental grant program two years ago to allow organizations and citizens to apply for grant funds through their local townships.

The Crawford County board settled a lawsuit in 1996 with City Environmental Services, the previous owner of the landfill. The county challenged the company when it tried to bring trash to Crawford County from other counties in the state not included in the county's solid waste plan.

The settlement pays for county environmental monitor's Bruce Patrick's position as well as county recycling.

Riley said officials are applying for a grant from the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality for next years scrap tire cleanup and again will seek funding from the county.

"It's just fantastic community-wide participation and I think we're really accomplishing something," Riley said.

## Lighting unit causes fire at Citizens Bank

The Grayling City/Township Fire Department handled a small fire which occurred in the basement at Citizens Bank last week.

Firefighters were dispatched to the fire at 6:15 a.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 30.

A janitor, who was cleaning the bank after it was closed, noticed a large amount of smoke while he was cleaning the basement.

A ballast, which had malfunctioned, had heated up, and embers which fell from the light fixture started a fire on the car-

peting, said Travis Roberts, the fire marshal/inspector for the Grayling City/Township Fire Department.

Firefighters were able to stomp the fire out with their boots and

removed the smoke from the building, Roberts said.

Firefighters remained on the scene for one hour. Grayling City Police officers assisted at the scene.

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# ISSUES AND OPINIONS



## ALMANACK

by Richard L. Milliman

# Hillary vs. Rudy in 2008? It's possible

CAN THE NEXT presidential election be right around the corner?

It's either that, or political pundits are finding it difficult to find fodder for their ponderings, this obscure one included.

For example, a recent Associated Press think-piece out of Albany, NY, muses parochially about the possibility of a 2008 presidential race between two home staters -- Sen. Hillary Clinton, Democrat, and former New York City Mayor Rudy Giuliani, Republican.

Sen. Clinton, of course, first must be elected next year to a second senate term. No top Republican challenger yet has emerged, and Ms. Clinton continues to earn mostly positive media exposure. Her political positions are softening somewhat, too, in a move toward the political center, which is where deciding votes tend to be.

Mr. Giuliani, meanwhile,

maintains a prominent public presence, although he has been out of the mayor's office since 2001.

Whether he is as recognizable as Ms. Clinton is questionable. The AP article claims both are "single name celebrities, easily identified by their first names. That's likely true for "Hillary" but some folks in Montana or Arkansas or even some parts of Michigan may have trouble instantly placing "Rudy."

HISTORY ARGUES against either Ms. Clinton or Mr. Giuliani occupying the White House. Only two New York presidents served in the entire 20th century; the two Roosevelts, Theodore and Franklin, both were governors, not senators or mayors.

In the past 100 years, several New Yorkers have tried, going back to Democrat nominee Al Smith in 1928, losing to

President Herbert Hoover, and Republican Thomas Dewey in both 1944 and 1948, both of whom also were New York governors. Candidate Dewey, of course, really was a Michigander, born and raised in Owosso. He lost to both Presidents Franklin Roosevelt and Harry Truman.

Others have strived for nominations and failed -- in more recent times; Democrat Mario Cuomo and Republicans Jack Kemp and Nelson Rockefeller, for example. Mr. Rockefeller was vice president in the 1970s by appointment of President Gerald Ford, who also had been appointed vice president and moved to the top job when President Richard Nixon resigned. But when it came time for Mr. Ford to run for president, Mr. Rockefeller was not on the ticket. Sen. Bob Dole, Kansas, was.

Other New Yorkers have been nominated for vice president -- more recently, U.S. Rep. Bill

Miller in 1964 and Mr. Kemp in 1996, both Republicans, and U.S. Rep. Geraldine Ferraro, Democrat, the only woman yet to appear on a presidential ticket, in 1984.

Perhaps with the governor legacy in mind, present New York Gov. George Pataki, Republican, reportedly is considering a run for president in 2008. That should be interesting if all three New Yorkers take to the presidential hustings.

IT'S EASY TO understand interest in a potential Giuliani-Clinton contest for all the chips. It almost happened before.

Back in 2000, when Hillary Clinton won her first senate term, then-Mayor Giuliani had been the active and formidable Republican candidate for the senate while Ms. Clinton was perfecting her switch to New York residency and her new life as a Democratic candidate for high

office.

Relatively late in the campaign, Mr. Giuliani was diagnosed with prostate cancer and had to step aside. Ms. Clinton won handily against the stand-in candidate, Rep. Rick Lazio. Had the 2000 senate race not been interrupted by cancer, either Ms. Clinton or Mr. Giuliani probably would not be so high on the potential ladder this year.

It's also easy to understand how the 2008 race is wide open for all sorts of potential candidates, including at least three from New York. Nobody on the list of prominent potentials in either major party at this point is very prominent at all.

Ms. Clinton is the exception. Her very identifiable public personage is built on eight years in the spotlight as an active First Lady, followed by her move to New York and six years in the senate. She usually leads or is near the top of polling for

Democratic preferences for president, three years before the actual election.

About the only other name that attracts magnetic interest is Republican Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice, who insists she is only doing her job and has no intention of running for president. That's likely the very honest situation -- at least at this point.

But the imagination must focus in on the possibilities -- no matter how remote -- of a presidential contest between two very powerful and attractive candidates in Sen. Hillary Clinton and Secretary Condoleezza Rice.

Now that would be one terrific event.

# # #

Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman, and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

# EDITOR

## Crawford County needs to take care of its animal problem

To the editor:

I would first like to thank the resident of Crawford County who dumped their three puppies in a pet carrier outside our shelter gate. The animals were left out all night in sub-zero weather in the snow without so much as a blanket in about six inches of snow.

I had talked to them earlier that day and advised that we do not take animals from out of our county. However, they explained that the Crawford County Animal Shelter was not taking owner give-ups and that they had to move. We understand that the shelter is not operated by the county and they can make their own rules and suggested that as a resident or a tax payer they should voice their opinion to the Crawford County Controller Paul Compo or an elected county commissioner for their district.

We understand that this would not resolve the immediate problem, which falls back on responsible pet ownership and paying

your pets. However, this does not allow people to break the law and dump a Crawford problem on another shelter who is also full.

I called the Crawford Animal Shelter and asked if they were taking give-ups? I told them I was moving by the weekend and could not bring the animal. I was told they were not taking animals from owners, because they were full. I asked what I should do and was told to contact other area shelters, Roscommon, Kalkaska and Otsego. I have called at least four other times in the past three months to see if the shelter was taking give-ups and the same story, "we are not taking owner give-ups." I was also told that they are only taking animals picked up by animal control as strays. I can not blame the shelter since they get paid for dogs that the county takes in.

Crawford once had in their Animal Control Ordinance to deal with cats as an equal to dogs to license them and handle them

as a nuisance when called. However, they removed this from the ordinance because it was a cost factor when the shelter also wanted to charge for taking in stray cats.

So what is happening with the cat population? They are breeding and over populating areas of your county. They are left to fend for themselves and cause health issues with the healthy population. Citizens have nowhere to take them so they try to dump them on surrounding counties or they just turn them loose.

I spoke with other counties who's names were given out. Otsego had just caught two Crawford residents trying to dump their animals as strays in their county in the past month. Otsego may take an animal from a Crawford resident but it must meet their criteria for adoptability and there is a \$50 drop off fee. Kalkaska takes animals from only their county. Roscommon only takes animals from their residents.

Dumping of these three puppies from Crawford is not the first, second or third time we've seen in recent months.

The next time you adopt a pet ask yourself, will I have to move in the next year? Will my new landlord let me have a pet? Can I afford to get all the shots and the animal fixed?

We handle 10 to 15 calls a week from Crawford County residents wanting us to take their pets. Please get involved, call your county representative and seek a solution to your counties pet problem or get involved with your animal shelter so they can better serve the animals of your county.

Since your tax dollars pay for the Crawford County Animal Control Officer you need to know what your tax dollars are paying for or how it can be used to better serve the animals of Crawford County.

Terrence MacKillop  
Director Roscommon County  
Animal Control and Shelter

## House proceeds to be used to build another Habitat home

To the editor:

Good things are happening in town this week. North Central Area Credit Union donated a house to Habitat for Humanity. The house was on the back of the credit union parking lot and was moved only a few blocks away. It has served as offices

for a while and it will now be remodeled back into a house by Habitat for Humanity. Proceeds from the sale of it will be used for helping to build another home for Habitat.

Fay Bovee  
Grayling

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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All letters are subject to editing and will be printed as space allows.

Deadline for submission of letters to the editor is Friday at noon for consideration for publication in the following week's paper.

## VIEWPOINT

by Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield

# If you catch a buzz, catch a ride

Law enforcement officials remind everyone to designate a sober driver.

The holiday season between Christmas and New Year's Eve is one of the busiest on Michigan roadways and potentially one of the most dangerous because of inclement weather, heavier traffic and the increased chances of impaired driving due to holiday gatherings.

That's why the Crawford County Sheriff's Office is joining with more than 550 other law enforcement agencies across the state in a drunk driving crackdown between December 19 and January 1.

Sheriff Kirk Wakefield says, "Let's make this holiday a safe and happy one. Please be careful and have a merry Christmas and a happy New Year."

Motorists are reminded that Michigan's threshold for drunk driving is .08 blood alcohol content and the costs associated with a drunk driving arrest are substantial. In addition to court costs and fines, convicted drunk drivers are also subject to an additional \$2,000 assessment included in the driver responsibility

bility program.

During last year's *You Drink & Drive. You Lose.* drunk driving crackdown, there were four Christmas holiday traffic fatalities and six traffic deaths during the New Year's holiday. Of those fatalities, five involved alcohol.

In Michigan, 37 percent of traffic fatalities involve alcohol and/or drugs. Although alcohol-related fatalities have been decreasing annually, there were still 418 traffic deaths in 2004 where alcohol and/or drugs were involved.

Sheriff Kirk Wakefield offers these other simple reminders for a safer holiday season:

Don't get behind the wheel of your vehicle if you've been out drinking.

If you are impaired, call Dial-A-Ride or get a sober friend or family member to come and get you.

Or just stay where you are and sleep it off until you are sober.

Sheriff Wakefield also urges holiday party hosts to always offer alcohol-free beverages during the event and make sure all guests leave with a sober driver.

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# COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS

## Santa's Stroll to be held uptown

The 2005 Santa's Stroll will be held on Sat., Dec. 10, from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. and begins with Santa's parade at 5 p.m. in front of the Devereaux Memorial Library and proceeds down Michigan Avenue taking Santa to the Crawford County Courthouse where he will visit with children until 8 p.m. Plan to bring your camera. Many family activities will be happening throughout the evening with the sights and sounds of Christmas.

## Senior Center to host Christmas dinner

The Senior Center will be holding a Christmas Dinner on Dec. 15, at 5 p.m. The menu will consist of roast beef, cheesy potato casserole, Prince Charles vegetable blend, rolls and cheesecake. Cost for the meal is \$3 for seniors and children 12 and under, \$5 for adults under 60. The Senior Center is located at 308 Lawndale St. Contact Louise Mize at (989) 348-7123 for information or transportation.

## Youth group to collect food

The Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church Youth Group will be collecting food and toiletry donations for the Christian Help Center from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. in front of Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church on Dec. 10 as part of the "Santa Stroll". They will be trying to fill an entire canoe with donations as part of the Let's "Paddle" Hunger campaign. Everyone that gives a food or toiletry donation will be put in a drawing to win an autographed Sergei Federov Red Wing Jersey. Call Chad at 348-3587 for more info.

## ABWA to hold holiday dinner

The American Business Women Association will be holding their holiday dinner at Moose Pub on Dec. 13, at 5:30 p.m. which will include a gift exchange. Call Lynn at 348-5426 for more information.

## Sheriff to attend Beaver Creek meeting

Sheriff Kirk Wakefield will be attending the Beaver Creek Township meeting scheduled for Monday, Dec. 12, at 7 p.m. He will be there throughout the meeting and, if necessary, will remain afterwards for additional questions or comments.

## Pet Photos with Santa this Saturday

The Animal Shelter of Crawford County will again offer Pet Photos with Santa in the old Heirloom Antique Mall from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m. on a first-come, first-served basis. All pets must be under the control of an adult. Cost is a donation of \$15 for a package of photos. The Shelter will also be participating in the Santa Stroll on Saturday evening at the same location.

## Craft show to be held at Legion

The Veterans of Foreign Wars, Carl W. Borchert, Ladies Auxiliary 3736 will be holding a Craft Show and Bake Sale, on Dec. 10, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the American Legion Hall, Grayling.

## St. Mary's to hold cookie walk

The St. Mary's Annual Christmas Cookie Walk will be held on Saturday, Dec. 10, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 11, after the 10 a.m. Mass until noon at the Knights of Columbus Hall.

## Auxiliary to hold Christmas party

VFW Post/ Auxiliary 3736 and Legion Post/ Auxiliary 106 will be holding a Christmas Party on Dec. 13, at 6 p.m. There will be a gift exchange of up to \$5, men bring a gift for men and women bring a gift for women. There will be games and hors d'oeuvres, bring an hors d'oeuvre with you. If there are any questions please call Bonnie Poll at (989) 348-2139.

## Church presents Christmas Contata

The combined drama and music ministries of Bear Lake Christian Church will present its Christmas Contata, "The Gift Goes On" on Dec. 10, at 7 p.m. The little log church is located on M-72, 12 miles west of Grayling.

## Church to be part of Santa Stroll

Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church, located on Michigan Avenue in Grayling, will be participating in the Santa Stroll on Saturday, Dec. 10, with a live nativity from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. From 5 p.m. to 8 p.m., there will be a cookie walk and chili, hot dogs, chips and hot chocolate.

## Legion auxiliary to hold Christmas party

The American Legion Auxiliary will have their annual Christmas party on Dec. 14, at 4:30 p.m., at the American Legion Hall in Grayling. Bring a dish to pass and a \$5 gift.

## Lewiston Curling Club to host open house

The Lewiston Curling Club will be holding a grand open house on Wednesday, Dec. 14, from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. There will be curling demonstrations, lessons, and information on curling leagues for men, women, mixed, and youth. The club is located at 4330 Salling Ave. Lewiston, 2 blocks west of the downtown blinker light on County Rd. 612. If you plan to attend or need additional information contact Doug Hyde (989) 732-8177 or email hydedoug@gmail.com or call the club at (989) 786-3888.

## Circuit court offices will be closed Monday

The 46th Circuit Trial Court will close the court offices on Monday, Dec. 12, so that employees and judges can attend a mandatory Customer Service Training, offered through the Michigan Judicial Institute. The closing was ordered by Chief Judge Patricia Morse. While the court will be closed, emergency matters will be handled by calling 989-705-3700 or 989-370-3233.

## RAFFLE WINNERS

### Grayling Youth Booster Club

The 50/50 raffle winners for Dec. 4 of \$25 each: Dennis Wakeley, Ted Stephan, Deanne Armstrong and Jane Trenary.

### Project Graduation

The "Lucky 300 Club" raffle winner of \$100 for Nov. 25 was Paul Thomson, and Dec. 2 was William Halscher.

# Youth ministry sponsors shows at Rialto for food drive

New Creations Youth Ministry working with the Rialto Theatre will hold a food drive for the Christian Help Center of Grayling. Arnie Stancil has agreed to open the theatre Saturday, Dec. 17 at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. for two showings.

The first show at 11 a.m. will feature the Peanuts classic "A Charlie Brown Christmas" and "It's Christmas again Charlie Brown." Each of these movies has a "G" rating.

The 1 p.m. show will be the third in a series "The Left Behind" movies titled "World at War." This is the continuing story from the best-selling books *Left Behind* and the *Tribulation Force*. The movies premiered in churches around the U.S. in October. Lou Gossett Jr. and Kirk Cameron are featured in this incredible movie depicting a fictional belief of what some may think could be the end of time events. This movie has a PG13 rating due to violence. All children under 13 must be accompanied by an adult or have an adult consent to attend.

Admission into the theater for

these two showings will be any boxed or canned food item. Concessions will be opened to purchase popcorn, soda and candy.

New Creations Youth is a city-wide non-denominational youth ministry, with a vision to have a non-profit youth ministry in the heart of this city. David, Julie, Jessica and Nicole Bobenmoyer have a vision as a family to have a safe environment for the young people of this city to hang out after school and on weekends by offering live music along with christian music videos and game tables such as pool, ping-pong etc. We feel that Grayling is in need of a place where all young people can come together and parents will know they are safe and cared for.

Letters have gone out to all the churches in the city about the food drive. If any youth group would like to help with the collecting of food at the door or make a donation, the Christian Help Center will be very blessed.

Any questions may be addressed to David or Julie Bobenmoyer at 348-2025.

## Cross country ski by lantern light at Hartwick Pines

Hartwick Pines State Park will again be offering special evening ski events where skiers will have a chance to enjoy one of the park's groomed ski trails by lantern light. If you have visited Hartwick Pines during daylight hours throughout the year, these evenings will definitely give you a different perspective of the park. The ski nights will be from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. on the Saturday evenings of Jan. 28, Feb. 11 and Feb. 25.

Over 75 lanterns will be lit along the 1.25 mile, groomed cross-country ski trail. The Michigan Forest Visitor Center will be open and visitors are welcomed to "thaw out" (or cool down) in our warming room where hot beverages (cider, tea, coffee and hot cocoa) and snacks will be offered. There is no charge to participate in these evening ski events, however a daily motor vehicle permit is required to enter the park.

If you cannot make it to these evening events, please come visit us during the day and enjoy skiing on over 15 miles of groomed cross country ski trails. Other events at Hartwick Pines this winter include guided snowshoe hikes on selected Saturdays in January, February and March. For further information and for current ski and snow conditions,

## High school to host 'Meet the Grads' reception on Dec. 21

On Wednesday, Dec. 21, Grayling High School will host the traditional "Meet the Grads" event in the GHS media center. To those unfamiliar with the ceremony, "Meet the Grads" is a unique opportunity for recent alumni of GHS to relate their experiences concerning continued education to current high school juniors and seniors. Persons who have enrolled in colleges or universities, students of technical or vocational schools, and members of the armed services are all welcome to partake in the event by sharing their feelings about the transfer from GHS to other educational positions.

This reception will be held in the media center from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. All former graduates presently seeking post secondary education are cordially invited to attend. This event is hosted by the AuSable Chapter of the National Honor Society, with the assistance of the counseling office. We encourage all persons currently involved in continued education to attend the annual presentation of this event.

## This year... send a Musical Christmas Card

The Grayling High School Band is giving you the opportunity to send a group of students to perform a variety of musical Christmas selections as your "Special" Christmas card this year. These cards will be available for delivery from December 10-18, 2005.



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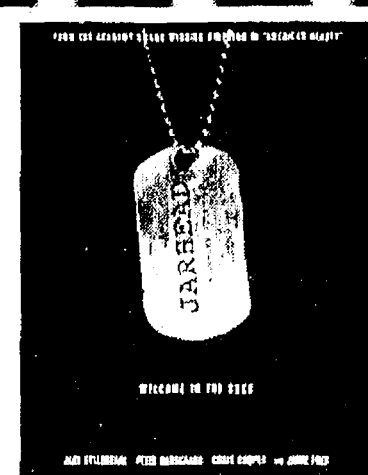
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## LIBRARY NEWS

**Devereaux Memorial Crawford County Library**  
The following books were donated in November as memorials: From Cornell Insurance for Judith Cox, *In the Shaker Tradition* for Patricia Sims, *Antique & Country Paint Projects*, for Maurice Alma, *Bourne Legacy* (Large Print) for Janice Taylor, *Lone Calder Sky* (Large Print) for John Newton, *Screaming Eagles*, for Ray McDonald, *Hell On Wheels*, for Flossie Welch, *Landscape with Roses*, for Edward Phillips, *The Universe*, for Don McCleary, *The World of Plants*, for Robert Hanson, *Our Earth*, for Karl Isenhauer, *How things Work*, for Lester Fouch, *The World of Animals*, for Ralph Hoffman, *Scholastic Children's Encyclopedia*.

From Paul and Donna Thomson in memory of Robert Hanson, *Cold Service* (Large Print) for Ralph Hoffman, *Sea of Glory* (Large Print) for Robert Gleffe, *Great Lakes Shipwrecks & Lighthouses*, for Emil Tahvonen, *Luckiest Man: The Life and Death of Lou Gehrig*, for Elene Lozon, *Life's Journey According to Mister Rogers*.

From Don and Rae Ann Schanz for Nigel (Grant) Alandt, *Earnhardt Collection*, for Freda Wojcik, *Penny, the Forgotten Coin*, for Irene Wyman, *Better Homes Gardens New Cook Book*, for Joan Hall, *Falling Awake* (Large Print), for Jacob Brown, *Flag: An American Biography*, for Ralph Hoffman, *The Templars*.

Noreen and Ernie Rasmussen donated: *AuSable River Journal*, for Doris Buchta.

Bob and Joni Metiva & family donated: *Kate's Cake Decorating*, for Donna Gardner, Jim and Diane Burtch donated *All about Doll Repair*, *100 Glass Beads*, and *The Big Book of*

*Halloween*, for Loretta Dandy. Clara Gibbs donated: *Drawing and Learning about Dinosaurs*, for Michael Molanen.

In Memory of Wilma LaGrow, from Joe and Janice LaGrow, *Unicorns and Other Magical Beasts and Elves and Fairies*. The library staff donated: *Rituals of the Season* for Frances Compo.

Jayne Barber donated: *Marine Mammals and Land Mammals* for Thelma Stampfly.

Ken and Marian McDonald donated: *Witches Walking Stick* and *In a Blue House* for Ryan Michael McDonald.

For Ross Thomson, Edwina LaChappelle donated: *West Point and Fighting Aircraft*.

Gerald Casey donated: *Pirates, Horses, Penguins, Polar Bears, Trains* for Jan Fenske.

In memory of Isabel Lane, from Jim and Pat Failing, *Country Painting Projects*.

In memory of Isabel Lane, *Candlelit Christmas*, from Betty Failing.

Dorothy Bassett and Arlene Halstead donated: *Honeymoon with my Brother* and *The year of Magical Thinking*, for Irene Wyman.

Bricks for the reading garden have been ordered in memory of George Bentley from the Currans; Donald "Bud" Ferguson from the Ferguson family; David Lemmen from Nancy Lemmen; Maude V. Howes for Ray and Kaye Thomas-Hogan; Douglas E. Cottenham from Ruth F. Boquette.

A brick was purchased by Doug, Melanie, Ben and Pete Grooters.

A brick was placed in the Joseph name for AJ, Eva, Bill, and Mary Jane.

Adam Landis purchased one in honor of the Florida Marlins, World Champs 1997, 2003.

## SENIOR CITIZEN NEWS

Join us for a meal, either at noon or 5 p.m. weekdays except Friday, when there is no evening meal. Please try to call for reservations at (989) 348-7123 or 1-888-355-4500, so that we know how many to plan for.

This week's menu (lunch/dinner) and activities:

Friday, Dec. 9 - Lunch - baked chicken, potatoes and peas, stewed tomatoes, and brownie. No dinner. 12 p.m. Frederic and Maple Forest Satellite Meal, 1 p.m. Stagette Club and Pantry Bingo.

Saturday, Dec. 10 - Foot clinic - cost is \$15, call for an appt. 821-5428 bring your own towel.

Monday, Dec. 12 - Lunch - riblet on a bun, baked beans, coleslaw, and peaches. Dinner - sirloin steak, baked potato, corn, and cherry crisp. 12 p.m. Stag Club, 1 p.m. Bridge Club, 5:30 p.m. cardo and "Food for Thought" discussion with director.

Tuesday, Dec. 13 - Lunch - Swedish meatballs, asparagus, glazed carrots, and fruited Jell-O. Dinner - baked chicken, mashed potatoes with gravy, mixed vegetables and pears. 12:30 p.m. "Food for Thought"

### Card of Thanks

Thank you for your kind donation to the Grayling Free Methodist Church's annual Trunk or Treat. Without the support of the community, this event would not be possible. Again, thank you to all in our Grayling community who have donated or joined us on Halloween day. Hometown Maytag, Ole Dam Rd. Party Store, Jim's Farm Market, DuBois Lumber, McNamara Ford, Riverland Gear, Central Michigan Lumber, Cornell Agency, Upper Lakes Tire, McLeans Ace Hardware and Goodale's Bakery.

discussion with director, 6:30 p.m. Housing Commission Board Meeting.

Wednesday, Dec. 14 - Lunch - baked fish, O'Brien potatoes, broccoli, and brownie. Dinner - scalloped potatoes with ham, carrots, Brussels sprouts, and fruited yogurt. 10 a.m. line dancing, 12 p.m. Stag Club, 12:45 Euchre, 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Caregiver Class, 5:30 p.m. Burger King Bingo.

Thursday, Dec. 15 - Lunch - baked ziti with meat sauce, peas, corn, and apricots over cottage cheese. Christmas Dinner - roast beef, cheesy potato casserole, Prince Charles vegetable blend, rolls and cheesecake. 10 a.m. aerobics and craft class; 11 a.m. - 12 p.m. blood pressure/sugar checks; 5 p.m. Christmas Dinner.

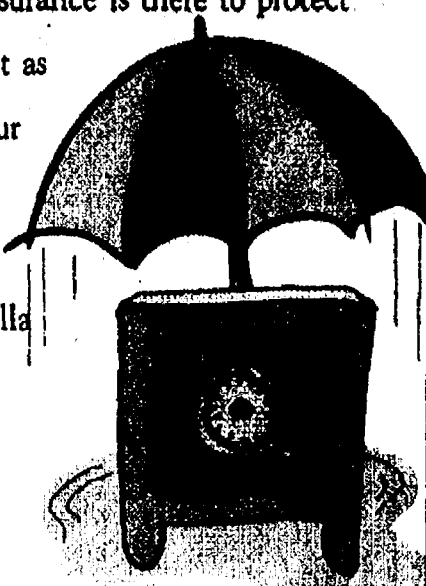
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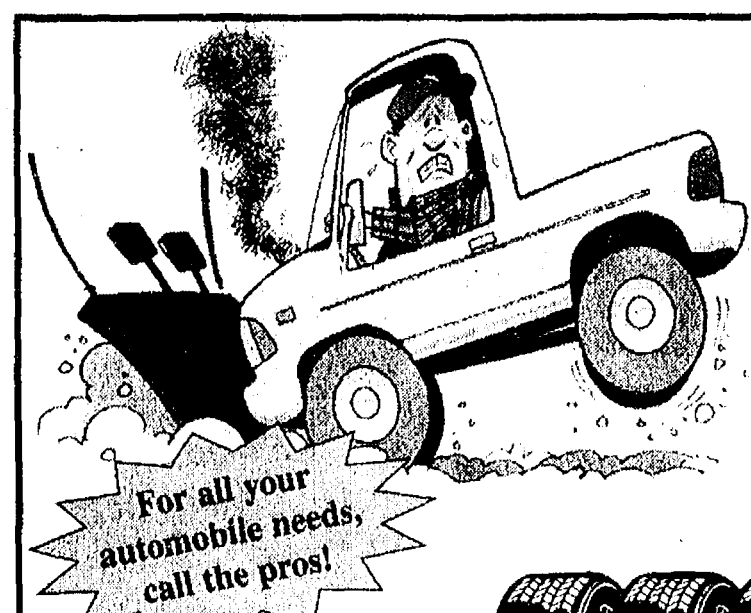
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# Weyerhaeuser plant takes safety measure for truckers

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 prevent them from falling off the loads.

Between 30 to 50 trucks come and go from the Weyerhaeuser mill daily.

"We preach safety every day with everyone that is here," Jensen said. "It may take us a little longer sometimes, but that's where our focus is going to be."

Bonnie Doremire, a finance and planning manager for the Weyerhaeuser Company, said the mill's initiative is strictly being done as a safety measure, adding it does not improve the plant's efficiencies or cut down on production costs.

"If it keeps people safe, that's one of Weyerhaeuser's priorities and it's one of our top priorities," Doremire said.

Weyerhaeuser is seeking a tax exemption for the \$855,000 capital improvement project.

A public hearing on the tax



Photo by Dan Sanderson

The tarping facility will include six stations which will allow truckers to tie their tarps, which protect the strand board from the elements, on their loads. Two overhead cranes in the facility will lift the tarps over the semitrailers, allowing the truckers to tie the tarps from the ground level.

exemption will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 12 at the Beaver Creek Township Hall.

Beaver Creek Township Supervisor Lee Riley said township officials can consider

approving up to a 50 percent tax break for up to 12 years for the company's upgrade.

# Hartwick Pines State Park to offer guided snowshoe hikes this winter

Are you interested in learning

about the forests of Hartwick Pines and Michigan in the winter? You now have a chance to experience the forests in the deep snow! Hartwick Pines State Park will again be offering several guided snowshoe hikes through the Old Growth Forest. Snowshoeing is a growing popular winter activity and these hikes will give visitors of Hartwick Pines a chance to try out snow shoes and hike through the Lower Peninsula's largest stand of old-growth White Pines. The hikes will be guided by a park interpreter or historian so participants can learn about the forest in the winter and to hear how winter was important to Michigan's logging industry in the 1800s.

The hikes begin at the Michigan Forest Visitor Center with an orientation and introduction to Hartwick Pines, a short talk on winter survival and equipment, and then depart from the auditorium of the visitor center for the woods. The hike

is approximately one mile and will head through the old growth forest of white pine and hemlock and stop at deer beds, look for signs of porcupines and other animals that use the forest in the winter, and stop at the logging museum, where participants will have a chance to warm up with a cup of hot cider around the "camboose," the elevated fire pit at the logging museum, and hear stories about the "shantyboys" enduring a winter in the woods. Participants may return to the visitor center on their own or explore other trails in the park.

Four guided hikes will be offered Saturdays, Jan. 21, Feb. 4 and 18, and March 4, beginning at 1 p.m. and lasting until about 3 p.m. The hikes will be limited to twenty participants for each hike, so advance registration is required. The hikes are free, but please call the Visitor Center at Hartwick Pines at (989) 348-2537 or stop in at the Visitor Center (normally

open daily 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., but with limited hours during the holidays) to sign up. Some snowshoes are available to use for free, however check for availability when registering.

Besides the snowshoe hikes, other winter activities at Hartwick Pines include cross-country ski nights on Jan. 28 and Feb. 11 and 25. Cross-country skiing on groomed ski trails is available everyday, weather permitting. A warming room is available in the Visitor Center during open hours every weekend and most weekdays.

There is no charge for the snowshoe hikes, however a state park motor vehicle permit is required for park entry. Daily permits for \$6 or annual permits for \$24 are available for purchase at the Visitor Center. For more information on this or any other program at Hartwick Pines, please call (989) 348-2537 or visit us on the Web at www.michigan.gov/hartwick-pines.

# Grayling man sets series bowling record at Legion

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 Lounge and Lanes, said verification of Davis' record will be sent to the United States Bowling Congress as part of requirements under sanctioned league competition.

Johnson said the series record was the highest score for a bowler since the lanes were built in the 1950s. Davis will receive

an award from the United States Bowling Congress, as long as no one beats his record, later this year after local league competition is completed.

"That highly unlikely," Johnson said.

Davis started bowling as a youngster with his dad, Larry Davis Sr., who taught him a lot about the game. He was involved

in the Youth Bowling Association Competition at the American Legion, and also enjoyed watching the Professional Bowling Association matches on television.

"I just love the sport," Davis said. "You don't know any given day what the lanes are going to give you. It's always a challenge. Besides that, it's awesome exercise."

# Donations sought for Christmas Help Week

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 Families seeking assistance can go to the Christian Help Center from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Dec. 14-16 and Dec. 19-21.

The Christian Help Center was founded in August, 1992. The agency is supported by gifts, grants and donations from local community service groups, businesses, churches and individuals.

The goal of the Christian Help Center is to provide food, encouragement, education, support and help to people in need.

To contact the Christian Help Center for more information, call 348-6046.

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**Crawford Station Restaurant Closed at 2pm Christmas Eve. Speak Easy Lounge at the Holiday Inn-Grayling will be serving food until 7pm on Christmas Eve. Holiday Inn of Grayling also can accommodate your family and or business holiday requirements from overnight rooms, family celebrations to business meetings & parties.**

**New Year's Eve Grand Buffet**  
 Saturday, December 31, 2005 • 5 pm - 10 pm  
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 Adults \$25.99 • Seniors \$22.99 • Children 12 & Under \$1.75 x Age

**New Year's Day Buffet 2006**  
 Sunday, January 1, 2006 • Noon - 7 pm  
 Eggs & Omelets Cooked to Order, Create Your Own Waffle Station, Carved Old Fashioned Style Smoked Ham, Herb Seasoned Round of Angus Beef, Baked Cod in Cajun Shrimp & Clam Sauce, Chicken Cacciatore with Tomato, Onion & Mushrooms, Port DeJon on a Bed of Pasta, Boiled New Potatoes in Chicken Gravy, Sweet Corn & Carrots, Deluxe Soup & Salad Bar, Gourmet Table of Assorted Relishes, Ever-Changing Dessert Bar.  
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**New Year's Eve Party**  
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# GMS names students of the month



The students selected as Grayling Middle School Students of the Month for November are, from the left (back row) Jensen Aubrey, Kayla Bendig, Brady Coe, Alexis Dandy, Kelsee Dean, Taylor Doremire, Lyle Gasser; (middle row) Stephanie Ellis, Robert Harrison, Suzanne Hause, Robert Heggie, Jacob Helsel, Matt Hilbrecht, Matthew Holton, Ashley Lavender; (front row) August Ledesma, Daniel Palmer, Tiffany Pittman, Jordan Small, Ken Tanner, Abbey Thomas, Matthew Vradenburg, Jessica Webb, Yer Xiong; (not pictured) Lindsey Argue, Joe Latusek.

## MILITARY NEWS

Army National Guard Pfc. Trevor A. Clough has graduated from basic combat training at Fort Jackson, Columbia, S.C.

During the nine weeks of training, the soldier studied the Army mission, history, tradition and core values, physical fitness, and received instruction and practice in basic combat skills, military weapons, chemical warfare and bayonet training.

drill and ceremony, marching, rifle marksmanship, armed and unarmed combat, map reading, field tactics, military courtesy, military justice system, basic first aid, foot marches, and field training exercises.

He is the son of Arthur and Diane Clough of Grayling. Clough is a 2005 graduate of Grayling High School.

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# Union, educators press plan to protect school aid

by Nathan Thompson  
Capital News Service

Public schools and universities might find relief from budget troubles if a petition drive pushed by the Michigan Education Association (MEA) is successful, the union says.

The proposal has four key points, said Karen Schulz, communications consultant for the MEA:

In addition to tying state aid increases to inflation, it would reduce the per-student spending gaps between the richest and poorest schools, cap the money schools spend on retirement costs and help protect funding for districts with decreasing enrollment.

The first component is getting the most attention, and the funding of K-12 public schools, community colleges and public universities would all be affected, said Schulz. It would not affect funding for the Department of Education.

The MEA belongs to the K-16 Coalition for Michigan's Future, the organizers of the drive. With 163,000 members, the union is the largest and most visible organization helping with the proposal.

According to estimates derived from a Senate Fiscal Agency report, educational funding would have seen an increase of \$241.5 million in 2003 if the ballot proposal had already been in effect.

"We recognize that a lot of politicians have said over the years that education is a top priority," Schulz said. "The problem we have is that in the past three years, K-12 funding hasn't increased, and state support for universities has gone down."

"What we're asking the Legislature to do is to put their money where their mouths are. They say education is the top priority, and we say 'prove it,'" she said.

But Rep. John Moolenaar, R-Midland, the chair of the House School Aid and Department of Education Appropriations Subcommittee, doesn't see as much of a lack of state aid as some educators claim.

"We recently increased the K-12 budget this year by almost \$300 million, and we are currently working on legislation that would bring up the lowest funded districts by an extra \$25 per student," said

Moolenaar. "We currently spend almost a third of our state budget on K-12 education, close to \$13 billion."

Schulz said that Michigan's economic woes don't excuse the government from providing enough money for education.

"Legislators are elected to their positions so that they can make tough decisions," Schulz said. "So far, their failure to fix Michigan's structural funding situation has left a lot of schools without many options to cut costs, and that's hurting kids."

Moolenaar agrees that legislators must make tough decisions.

"The citizens have a right to make their views known, and as legislators we make every effort to listen and balance their priorities in state government spending," Moolenaar said. "An important thing in the budget process is to have public hearings and look at each priority in light of other priorities."

"The question is where would this money come from? Would it come at the expense of other budget priorities, or would it come in the form of higher taxes that might take businesses out of our state," he said.

Schulz said it should be clear that education is important for Michigan voters, citing a June rally at the Capitol attended by 11,000 people, making it the largest in 30 years.

According to educational professionals, public schools are being hit hard by budget troubles, and they cite data to back them up.

Research by the Michigan School Business Officials

found that at least 2,000 positions were eliminated last year, said Executive Director Tom White. Even with Gov. Jennifer Granholm's \$175 increase in per-student funding, Michigan's school officials did not seem confident about the future.

The survey found that 51 percent of districts said they would still have to lay off employees, and 80 percent said they would reduce staff by not filling vacancies, an increase of 6 percent from the previous year.

Midland-area MEA official director Fred Baker has seen the effects of the budget problems firsthand.

"Sometimes there aren't even enough chairs for all the students, and the teachers have to hope that someone is absent so that everyone can get a seat," said Baker. "People believe that this proposal means a tax hike, and it absolutely does not have to mean that."

"Since 1994, we have seen 46 separate tax cuts for various interest groups, and a lot of them are not appropriate at all. If you purchase something at a party store or a regular store, you don't pay tax on that directly, but the person who sold it to you does. If you buy something out of a vending machine, that's not taxed, and that means a loss of \$19 million annually," he said.

Moolenaar said that there are two sides to any budget crisis.

"We're making substantial efforts to improve the funding for districts across the state, but at the same time, there's the cost-containment side as well," Moolenaar said. "We need to look at the problem from both angles."

The petition drive is intended to force a 2006 statewide vote on the proposal if the Legislature doesn't approve it first.

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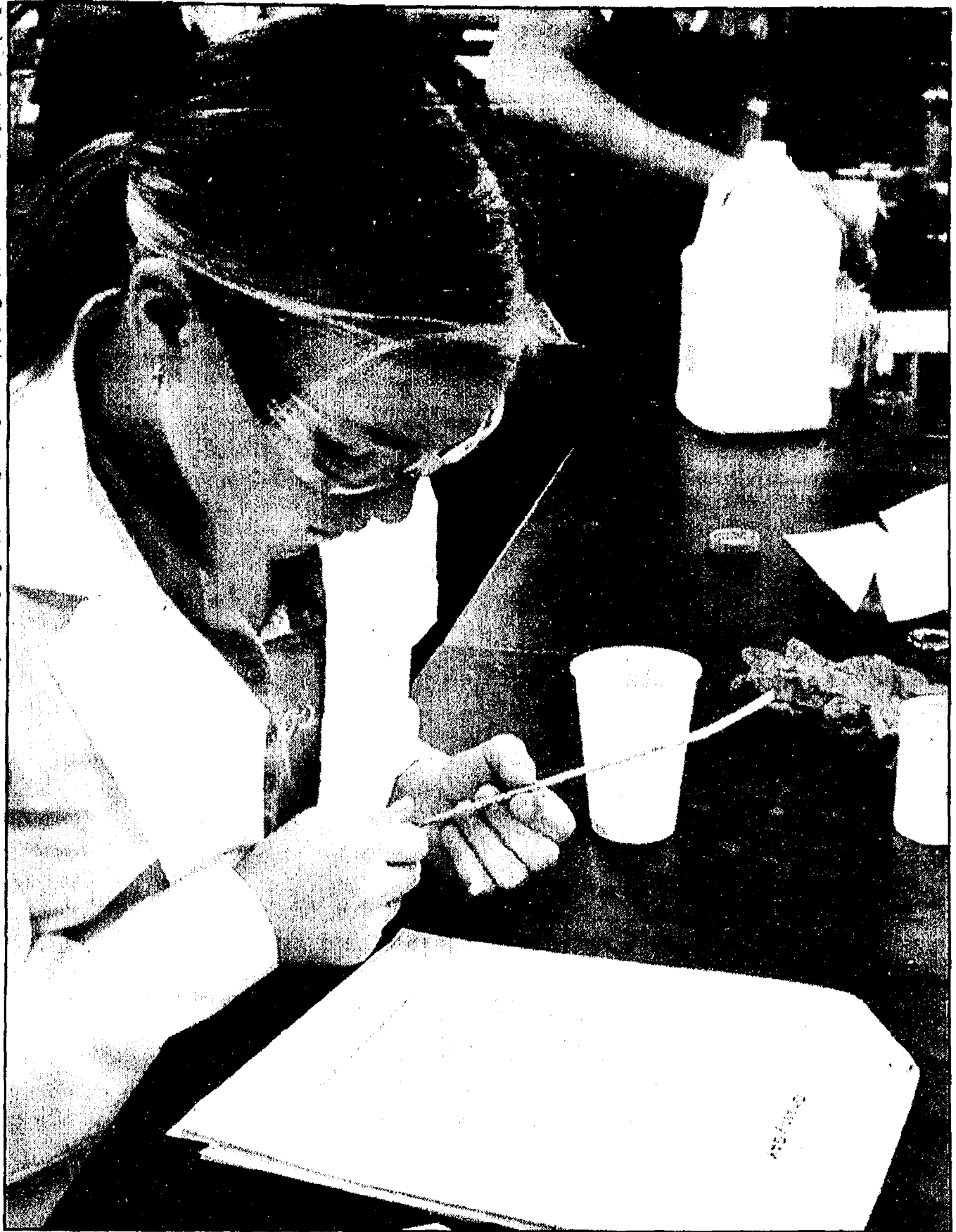
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## Leader Dogs recruit more dogs from animal shelter



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## Grayling woman marks 100th birthday

Helene L. Mowbray celebrated her 100th birthday with family and friends last week.

Mowbray, the daughter of John and Marie Cook, was born in Grayling on December 3, 1905. Helen attended Grayling Schools and moved with her parents to Detroit during the Great Depression. Helen, however, had a special place in her heart for Grayling, and she continues to enjoy reminiscing about the old days in the community. She particularly enjoyed hearing about the steam train that recently came to Grayling because that's how she and her family went back and forth to Detroit.

Mowbray, and her late husband, Emery Mowbray, owned a cottage on the old Danish Landing and enjoyed spending weekends and summers in Grayling.

Mowbray made her permanent home in Viking Village in Grayling in 1978. She is currently residing at Mercy Manor.

Mowbray's nephews, Bob and Lee Paulsen, William Greene and his wife, Barbara, and niece Donna Visnaw were on hand to help her celebrate her birthday.



Photo by Dan Sandersen

Helene L. Mowbray, a resident at Mercy Manor, celebrated her 100th birthday with family and friends last week.

## Local Cub Scouts go on a hayride



Local Cub Scout Pack #3993 recently went on a hayride to Happy Day's Diner in Frederic. After the hayride, the Tigers and Wolves were treated to marshmallows and made their own s'mores. Pictured are: (back row) L to R: Chase Labo, Zach Kelly, Fred Fisher, Zachary Mueller, Freddy Fisher, Tara Iverson, Allen Iverson, Jeremiah Scott, Tyler Summers, Kaelan O'Toole, C.J. Bertram; (middle) Logan Noffsinger, J.C. Bertram, Brandon Schnickert; (front row) Roger Walsh and Freddy Shippy.

## Child Watch program to start in Crawford County

Yvonne Schreiber, president of the AuSable Primary/Grayling Elementary Schools P.T.O., announced that they are sponsoring the Michigan Community Child Watch program for the Crawford AuSable School District area. Community Child Watch is very similar to the Neighborhood Watch program. It is only one of two child watch programs that is

recognized by Michigan Law. Community Child Watch began after the abduction, rape, and murder of a 12 year-old Grand Rapids Public School crossing guard named Linda VanderVeen in February of 1979. Her abductor was eventually caught, tried, and is currently serving his sentence for his crime.

During the investigation

Linda's parents found many people had actually seen the abductor or the car. Some were unable to give an adequate description of either and some felt any information they might have was not enough to be useful. Linda's parents and local law enforcement started the Community Child Watch program to teach community members how to observe, report and respond to suspicious happening in their community with the focus being child safety.

To participate in the program adult volunteers must fill out an application, attend a short training session and agree to a criminal background check. During the training session they learn how to observe, respond and report suspicious activity they may witness in their neighborhoods. Participants receive a handbook and a poster to display in their window identifying their home as a "helping home" to area children or children visiting the neighborhood. Michigan Public Act 32 makes it a crime for a non-approved person to possess and/or display one of these posters.

The second part of the training process will be a short awareness training session for the students at the Grayling elementary and primary schools. This training will be conducted by police officers from the Grayling City Police and the Crawford County Sheriff's Office.

Schreiber stated the adult volunteer training session will be conducted on Tuesday, Dec. 13, at the Grayling Elementary from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. For more information and to sign up, you may call Yvonne Schreiber at 348-4148, or Officer Tim Coe at the Grayling Police Department, 348-4621. More information about the Michigan Community Child Watch program is available on their Web site at [www.michigan-childwatch.com](http://www.michigan-childwatch.com).

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## 46TH CIRCUIT TRIAL COURT

### Sentencings for November 2005

#### Hon. Dennis F. Murphy

Burton Canfield Jr, age 38 of St. Charles - Found guilty of a probation violation on October 6, 2005; sentenced on November 10, 2005 to serve 60 days in jail; ordered to pay \$150 state minimum costs, \$110 crime victim rights fee, \$400 circuit court costs and \$200 penal fine; discharged from probation without improvement.

Jody Deanna Randles, age 19 of Detroit Found guilty on October 6, 2005 of controlled substance possession non-narcotic; sentenced on November 10, 2005 to serve 90 days in jail with credit for 84 days served; ordered to pay \$60 state minimum costs, \$60 crime victim rights fee, \$300 circuit court costs and \$350 attorney fee;

placed on probation for 18 months.

#### Hon. Janet M. Allen

Scherie Ann Peever, age 54 of Grayling - Plead guilty on October 15, 2004 to Operating-Operating under the influence of liquor/per se third-offense; ordered to pay \$60 state minimum costs, \$60 crime victim rights fee, \$300 circuit court costs, \$500 penal fine and \$350 attorney fee; placed on probation for 12 months.

Allen James Wakeley, age 21 of Grayling - Found guilty on October 3, 2005 of a probation violation; sentenced on November 7, 2005 to serve 330 days in jail with credit for 135 days served; ordered to pay \$277.50 restitution, \$50 DNA assessment fee, \$450 crime victim rights fee, \$300 circuit court costs and \$350 attorney fee.

Brian William Stevens, age 19 of Grayling - Found guilty on October 3, 2005 of a probation violation; sentenced on November 7, 2005 to serve 30 days in jail; ordered to pay \$60 state minimum costs, \$60 crime victim rights fee, \$300 circuit court costs, and \$350 attorney fee; placed on probation for 24 months; Homes Youthful Trainee Act status revoked.

#### Hon. Francis L. Walsh

Robert Timothy Randles, age 26 of Detroit - Plead guilty on September 6, 2005 to home invasion second-degree; sentenced on November 15, 2005 to serve 365 days in jail with credit for 89 days served; ordered to pay \$60 state minimum costs, \$60 crime victim rights fee, \$300 circuit court costs, and \$350 attorney fee; placed on probation for 24 months.

## HOMETOWN NEWS

The Baby Drama, a theatrical benefit of song and dance at the 10th Street Theatre (Toledo Rep), is being organized by friends and family of Joe and Stephanie (Hindmarsh) Dennehy (they are frequent performers,

directors and choreographers in local theatre companies including: the Crowell Opera House, the Purple Rose Harvest Theatre, Toledo Rep, Bedford Community Players) to help offset the mounting medical costs of

their recent attempts at in vitro fertilization. All proceeds will go toward helping them pay for these costs. Stephanie is a Grayling native and a graduate of Grayling High School.

The show is to take place Saturday, Dec. 10, at 8 p.m. at the Toledo Repertoire Theatre 16 10th street. Tickets are \$20. A champagne reception and silent auction will follow the performance.

Performers will include: Mr. Michael Lackey, known as one of the original "Phantoms" in Andrew Lloyd Webber's "Phantom of the Opera."

This will be an evening of varied performances of acting, singing, poetry and frivolity.

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## SHERIFF'S REPORT

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield reports his office handled the following 83 complaints the week of Nov. 28 - Dec. 4:

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## GHS wrestling team opens season with three meets

Grayling hosts season opener

■ Vikings start year with tri-meet, JV meet, and varsity tournament

Grayling High School's wrestling team opened its 2005-06 season with a meet vs. Whittemore and Gaylord on Thursday, a JV meet at Roscommon on Friday, and a varsity tournament at Roscommon on Saturday.

On Thursday, the Vikings hosted the Gaylord Blue Devils and the Whittemore Cardinals at Grayling Middle School.

Gaylord defeated Whittemore 46-25 in the first match of the night. The Vikings then faced the Cardinals, starting with the 135-pound division.

Whittemore won the first bout by pin and forfeited at 140, resulting in a score of 6-6. The Cardinals posted a pin in the 145-pound weight class. Corey Metzger (152) won his match for GHS with a first round pin, tying the score at 12-12.

Jeff Bancroft (160) lost by decision 8-4. Whittemore won the 171-pound weight class by pin. Grayling pulled within three with a first round pin victory by James Walker (189). The

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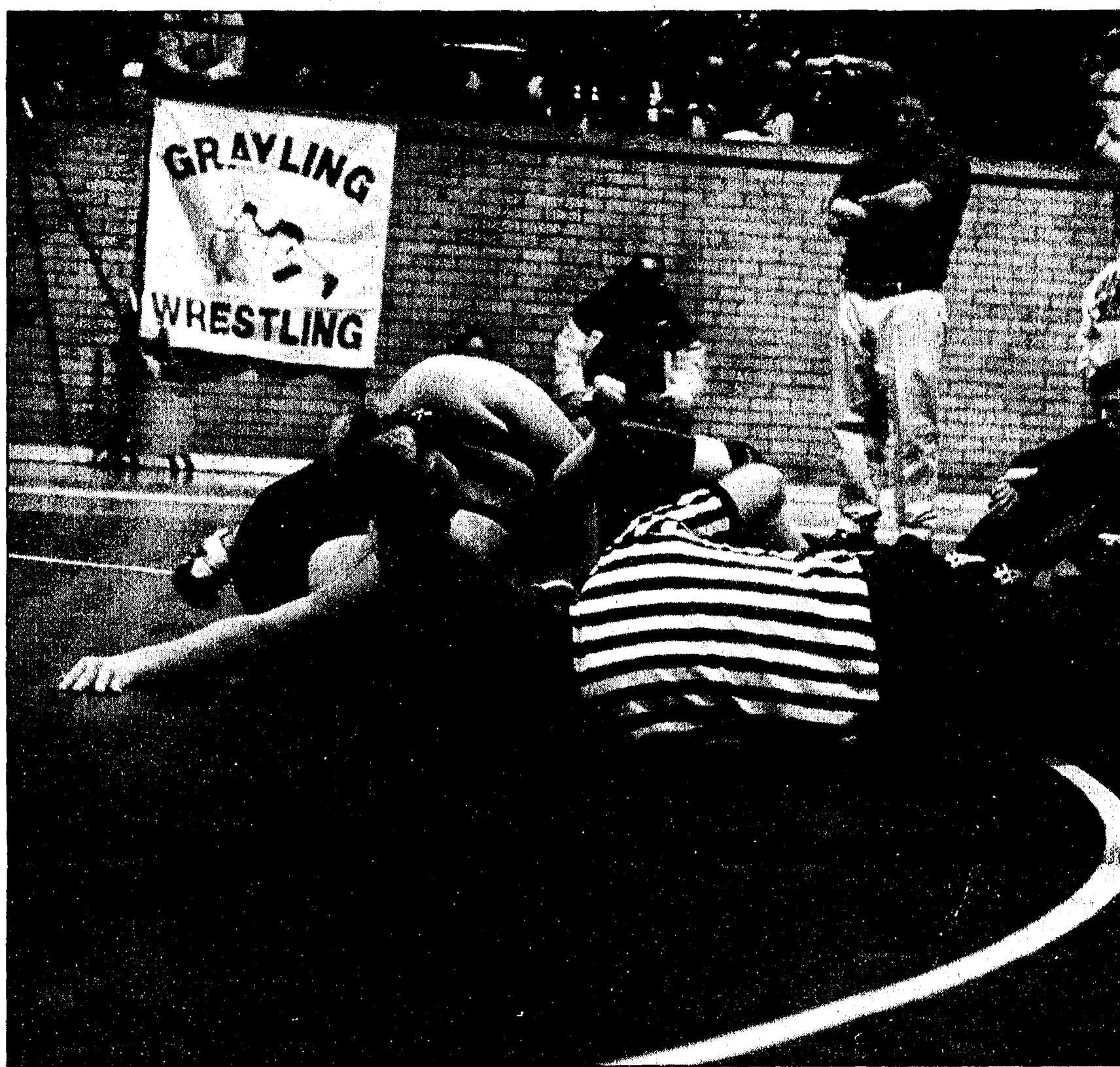


Photo by Caleb Casey

Bill Stewart pins his Whittemore opponent in the heavyweight division of last Thursday's meet at Grayling Middle School.

Wrestling program has a new coach

■ Joe Ferrigan, GMS coach for 12 years, takes over varsity team at GHS

The GHS wrestling program, which started its 2005-06 season with three meets last week, has a new coach this year - Joe Ferrigan, who coached Grayling Middle School's wrestling team for 12 seasons.

Ferrigan replaces Don Ferguson, who retired at the end of last season after 47 years of coaching sports at Grayling High School.

"We're making some changes in the program, trying to get back to traditional Grayling wrestling," Coach Ferrigan said. "Hopefully, we can carry on what Coach Ferguson started and carried on for 42 years."

Ferrigan said his program's overall numbers are very good this year - about 36 athletes - but the squad is lacking somewhat in experience.

"We're a young team anchored by a couple of juniors and four seniors. They've been working hard, jumping right into the fire," Coach Ferrigan said. "We have six freshmen in our lineup."

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See "WRESTLING..."

## Three new coaches take over GHS volleyball program

■ Varsity squad to open season with meet at Roscommon on Saturday, Dec. 10

by Caleb Casey  
Senior Staff Writer

Grayling High School's volleyball program has three new coaches this year and strong player numbers at all three levels of play.

Brian Banda, who coached the varsity squad at GHS in 1999 and 2000, returns as head coach this season after a few years away from the program. Banda's 2000 squad won a district championship.

Two women who played volleyball at GHS under Banda are coaching the JV and freshman squads this year - Arica D'Amour (JV) and Jenny Malonen (freshman).

"That's an advantage because they know the system," Banda said. "My coaching staff is solid. I feel very confident with this staff."

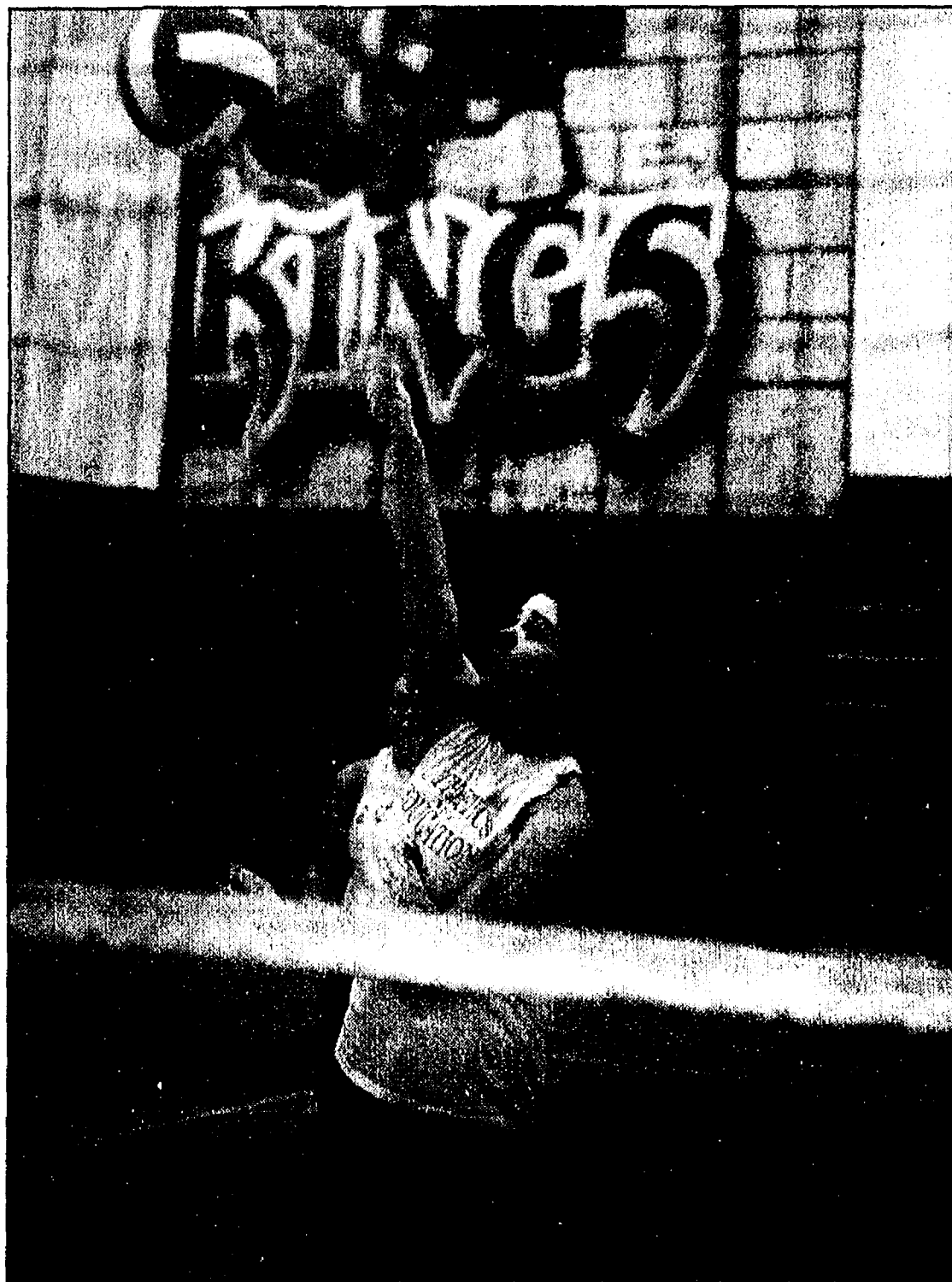
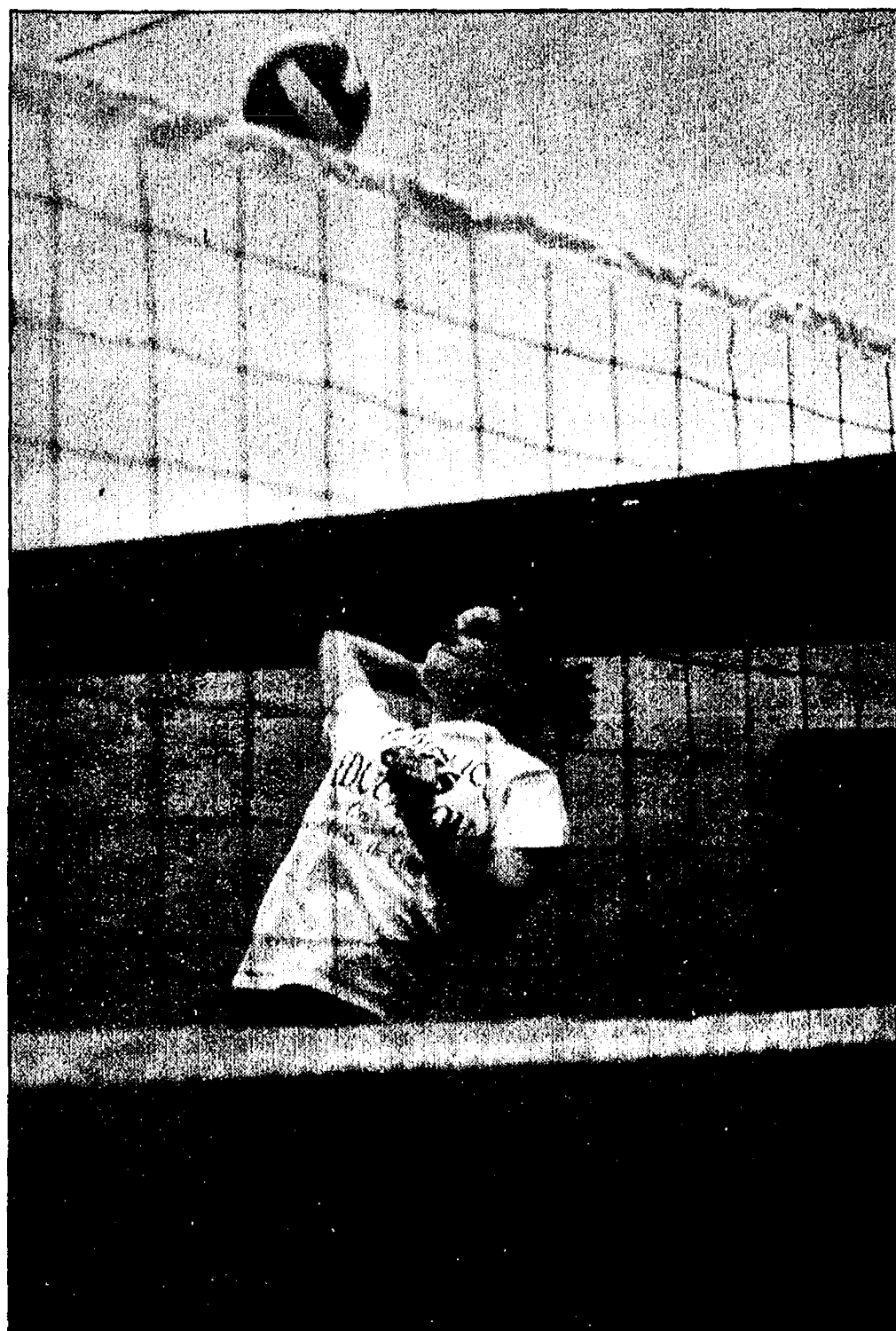
Banda said the program's overall "numbers are good." Seventy-four girls signed up, 56 showed up for try-outs, and the coaches kept 35 - 11 varsity, 12 junior varsity, and 12 freshmen.

"It was competitive. We had a lot of people trying out," Coach Banda said.

The varsity squad includes

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See "THREE NEW..."



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Seniors Amanda Lutz (left) and Andrea Southard (right) practice hitting from the front row on Tuesday night. The Vikings open their 2005-06 season with a tournament at Roscommon on Saturday, Dec. 10.



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Coach Brian Banda works with his players at practice last Tuesday.



Chelsea Wolcott hits a ball from the back row during practice last week.

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# Three new coaches take over GHS volleyball program

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five seniors – Sammi Wakeley, Chelsea Wolcott, Andrea Southard, Jessie Morley, and Amanda Lutz – and six juniors – Abby Wheeler, Kelly Lange, Adrianna Voelker, Monica Leslie, Jessica SanFilippo, and Candice Odden.

"The number one goal is to bring back the intensity, to get to a level they haven't seen for a while. The only question is how long that's going to take,"

Coach Banda said. "We don't have a lot of height, but with good fundamentals we can overcome that. We're not huge, but we're not small either. We have girls that should be able to help us succeed," Banda said. "It's about intensity. That's all it is. If they can learn that every play is like a game-making play – this will be a successful team if I can get that out of them."

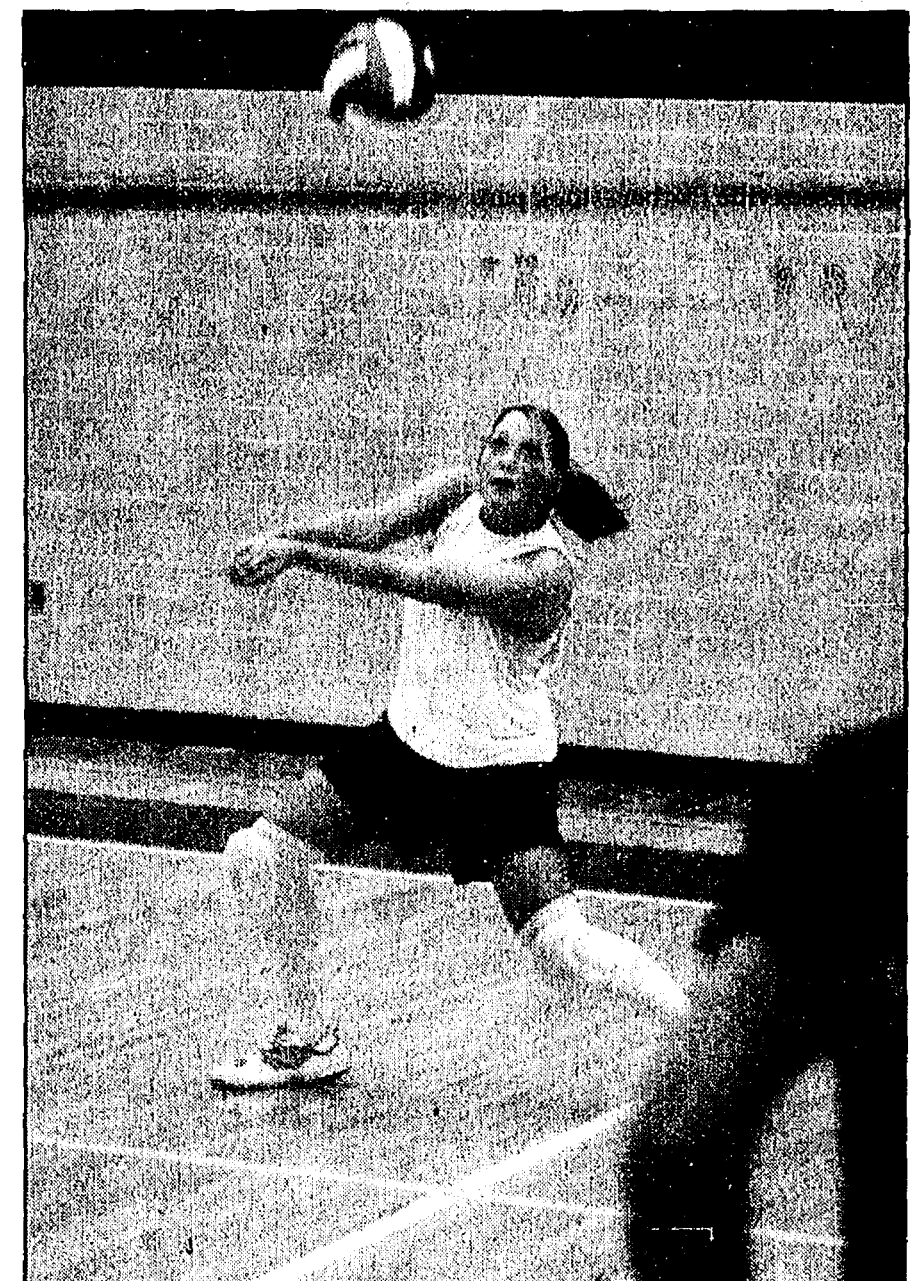
The varsity squad opens its

2005-06 season with the Roscommon Invitational meet on Saturday, Dec. 10.

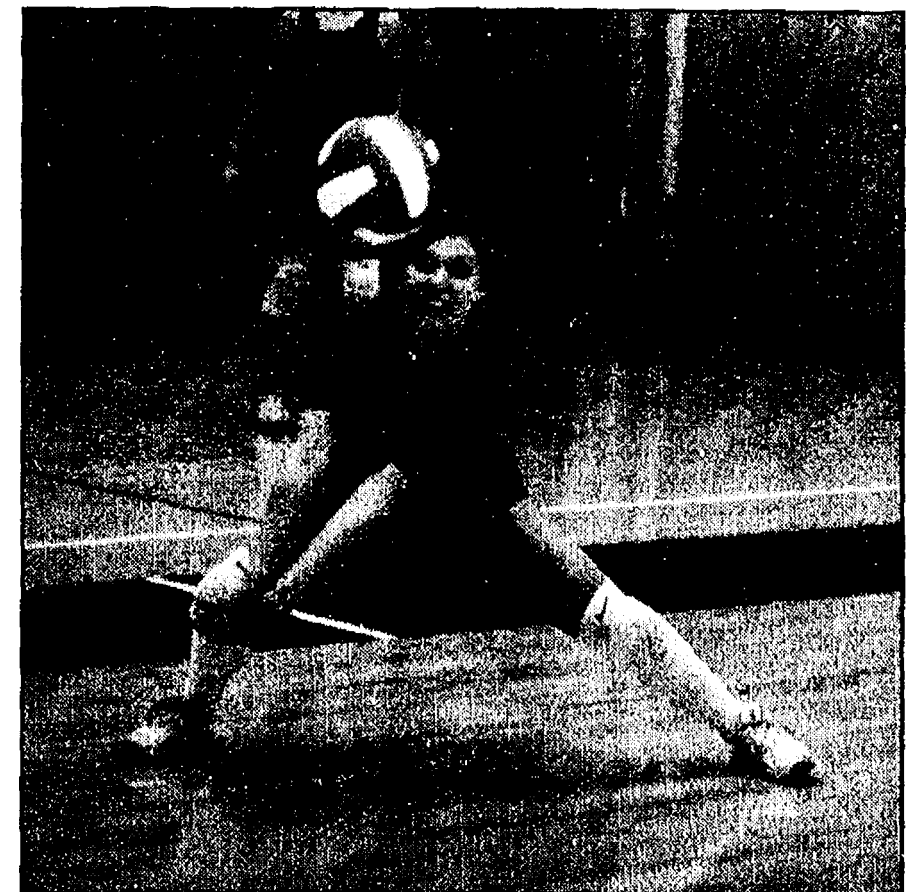
"We've been pretty successful in that tournament," Banda said. The team's home opener is a meet featuring Houghton Lake,

Roscommon, and West Branch on Monday, Dec. 19.

The JV and freshman squads will open their seasons with a meet vs. Boyne City and Traverse City St. Francis on Monday, Dec. 12, at 5 p.m.



Sammi Wakeley (above) and Jessica SanFilippo (below) hit the ball at practice on Tuesday night.



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# GHS wrestling team opens season with three meets

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Cardinals won at 215 with a third round pin. First round pins by Bill Stewart (heavyweight) and Frank McLeod (103) gave GHS a 30-27 lead with four weight classes to go.

Grayling forfeited two of the last four matches and lost the other two by pin. The Cardinals won by a final score of 51-30.

The Vikings then lost to Gaylord 66-12. For Grayling, Bancroft (160) won his match with a second round pin, and Cody Verlinde (125) posted a third round pin.

On Friday, the Vikings competed in a five-team JV tournament at Roscommon. Teams included Grayling, Roscommon, Clare, Houghton Lake, and Whittemore.

Fifteen Vikings participated and the following wrestlers placed in the top three in their respective weight divisions: 1st place - James Haight (140), Matt Haight (145), Cory Shear (152), Jacob Reynolds (171), Tim Hatley (189); 2nd place - Mike Davis (103), Eric Ferrigan (135), Craig Gabriel (215), Dan CdeBaca (275); 3rd place - Eric Gosicki (125), Ethan Abbe (215).

"These are all young wrestlers and we are very excited for the future," Coach Joe Ferrigan said.

JV wrestler of the week was James Haight.

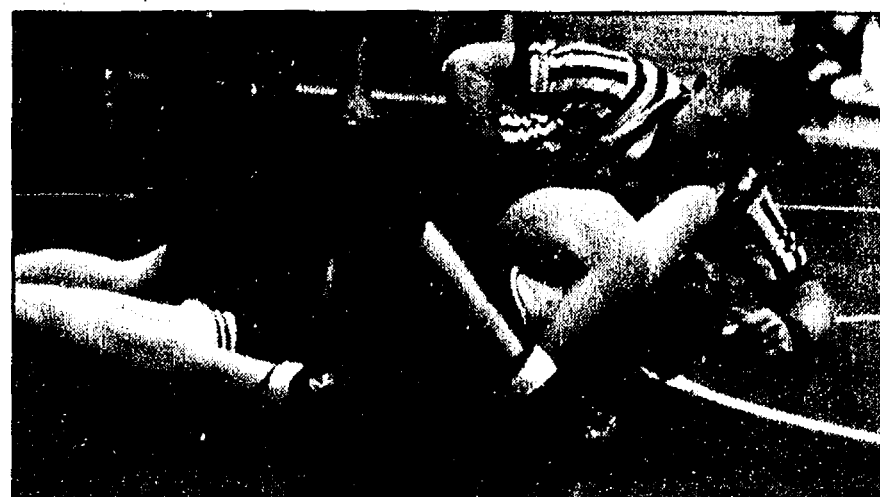
The next tournament for the junior varsity team is scheduled for January 28 at Sault Ste. Marie.

On Saturday, the Vikings competed in the Roscommon Invitational. Six teams - Roscommon, Grayling, Rogers City, Houghton Lake, Manton, and Essexville Garber - took part



Photos by Caleb Casey

**Tory Myers (171) wrestles against Gaylord on Thursday night.**



**Frank McLeod (103) pins his Whittemore opponent on Thursday.**

in the tournament, and GHS placed 3rd.

Grayling defeated Essexville Garber 53-29 in round one. In round two, GHS beat Manton 65-18. The Vikings won 53-27 vs. Houghton Lake in round three. In round four, Grayling lost to Rogers City 56-16 and in round five Grayling lost to Roscommon 54-27.

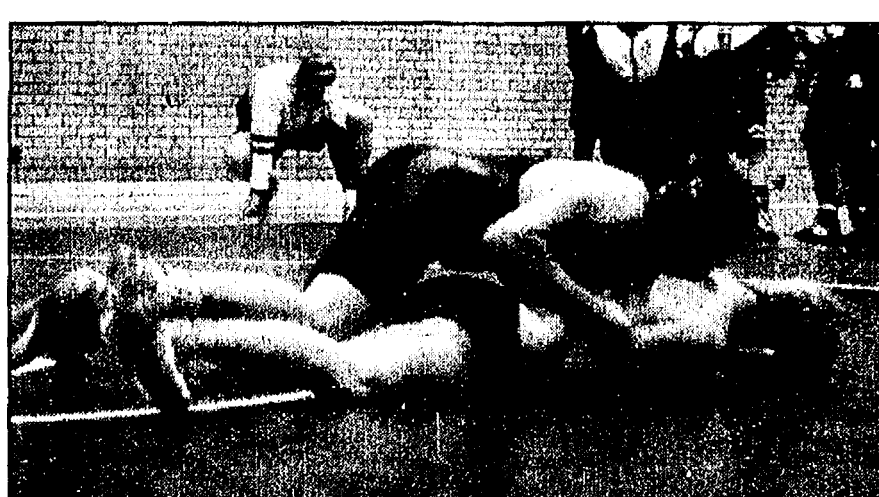
"Grayling placed third overall in the tournament. We have seven freshmen in our starting lineup

and for us to place third with this young team at this stage of the season is very impressive. Young wrestlers to watch for in the future are freshmen Frank McLeod at 103, Shane Grove at 135, and Cody Collen at 140," Coach Ferrigan said.

The varsity team will travel to Rogers City on Thursday, Dec. 8. On Saturday, Dec. 10, the Vikings will compete in the Mason County Central Invitational.



**Shane Grove (135) competes against a Whittemore wrestler at last week's meet at GMS.**



**James Walker (189) wrestles his Gaylord counterpart.**



**Jeff Bancroft (160) tries for a pin vs. Gaylord.**

## Wrestling program has a new coach

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Coach Ferrigan said his team has a tough schedule early in the season. "We're going to find out how good we are real quick," he said.

Grayling High School's athletic league - the Lake Michigan Conference - has added wrestling as one of its official sports, so GHS will wrestle a conference schedule this year after spending several seasons as an independent.

"This is our first year as a wrestling team in a conference

in a long time," Coach Ferrigan said. "Our goal would be to be conference champs and have some individual championships. We want to try to get some kids through to the state finals and keep everybody healthy."

Coach Ferrigan said his key wrestlers this year include his four seniors - Bill Stewart (heavyweight), Joey Ferrigan (215), James Walker (189), and Cody Verlinde (125) - and junior Jeff Bancroft (152), a state qualifier last year.

"We're looking for really big things from all of them,"

Ferrigan said. "Those guys are setting the tone in practice for all our young kids, getting them ready for varsity wrestling."

The team's assistant coaches this year include Mike Hopkins, Larry Duvall, and Scott Malone.

The Vikings will host Kalkaska in a league meet on Thursday, Dec. 15, at 6 p.m. at Grayling Middle School. All of the team's regular season home meets will be conducted at the middle school this year.

## BOWLING LEAGUE

### Friday Mixed Doubles

New "Kids" ..... 33 - 19  
American Legion ..... 30.5 - 21.5  
Moshier Auto Repair ..... 29 - 23  
Lucky & Laura's ..... 23 - 29  
IMM ..... 23 - 29  
Double Trouble ..... 17.5 - 34.5  
High Series Men: P. Benardo, 594; J. Campbell, 550; D. Burger, 509. High Game Men: P. Benardo, 225; J. Campbell, 204, D. Burger, 189; High Series Women: M. Moshier, 494; S. Johnson, 492; K. Moshier, 474. High Game Women: M. Moshier, 193; P. Benardo, 191; J. Williamson, 187.

### Recreation League

Woody Girls ..... 33.5 - 18.5  
Hawk Ridge ..... 32.5 - 19.5  
Glen's Market ..... 31 - 21  
American Legion ..... 26.5 - 25.5  
Mickey Perez, CPA ..... 26 - 26  
Days Inn ..... 24.5 - 27.5  
Coldwell Banker ..... 18 - 34  
Gr. Nursing Center ..... 16 - 36  
High Series: S. Johnson, 487; H. Larm, 486; H. Stairs, 473. High Game: K. Moshier, 210; S. Johnson, 191; T. McGregor and T. Benardo, 179.

### Senior Bowling

Spike's ..... 32 - 20  
Flowers By Josie ..... 30.5 - 21.5  
Kicking Grass ..... 30 - 22  
Stitches By Sue ..... 27 - 25  
Lone Pine ..... 25 - 27  
Bear's Den Pizza ..... 23 - 29  
Grayling Pharmacy ..... 21 - 31  
Sylvesters Sports ..... 19.5 - 32.5  
High Series Women: C. Wyatt, 499; H. Stairs, 494; M. Rysoo, 486. High Game Women: C. Wyatt, 207; M. Rysoo, 180; H. Stairs, 178. High Series Men: P.

Faustman, 603; B. Holton, 582; L. Essiambre, 542. High Game Men: B. Holton, 242; J. Hipchen, 203, P. Faustman and L. Essiambre, 202.

### Pioneer League

McDonald's ..... 29 - 15  
Chemical Bank ..... 28 - 16  
Grayling Restaurant ..... 23 - 21  
Cal Dutton Const. .... 21 - 23  
Spicy Bob's ..... 21 - 23  
AJD Forest ..... 19 - 25  
Tim's Collision ..... 19 - 25  
Thad Pooley Painting ..... 16 - 28  
High Series: J. Cousins and B. LaMotte, 519, S. Johnson, 496; High Game: J. Cousins, 199; B. LaMotte and P. Benardo, 185.

### American Men's League

Grayling Chiropractic ..... 27 - 8  
Scheer Motors ..... 21 - 14  
McLeans ACE ..... 19 - 16  
Fenton's Auto Serv. .... 18 - 17  
Canfield's ..... 15 - 20  
GADCO ..... 14 - 21  
Derwich Ind ..... 13 - 22  
Moore's Auto ..... 13 - 22  
High Series: L. Davis, 802 (802 Series is the new record high for Grayling's Legion Lanes), L. Davis, 684; T. Kotrash, 612. High Game: L. Davis, 279; L. Davis, 247; J. Robideau, 238.

### Northwood League

Tim's Collision ..... 36 - 16  
Bud Lite Babes ..... 32 - 20  
Carey & Jaskowski ..... 32 - 20  
Choppers Spare ..... 29.5 - 22.5  
Great Lk Mortgage ..... 28 - 24  
Hart Pontiac ..... 26.5 - 25.5  
Scott McNamara ..... 18 - 34  
Tree Huggers ..... 1 - 3  
High Series: P. Benardo, 517; D. Argue, 487; C. Moore, 478. High

Game: P. Benardo, 196; M. Jankowski, 193; L. Johnson, 191.

### National First

J-Bar ..... 61 - 25  
Scott Pittman Bld. .... 52 - 32  
Legion Lanes ..... 49 - 35  
Faustman's Insurance ..... 45 - 39  
Corky's Karaoke ..... 45 - 39  
Sawmill ..... 35 - 49  
Great Lakes Mort. .... 28 - 49  
Upper Lakes ..... 16 - 68  
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	Jan. 18	Gaylord
QuickBooks - Level 2	Nov. 29	West Branch
	Jan. 19	Gaylord
MS Excel - Levels 1 & 2	May 16	West Branch
	June 13	Gaylord
MS Excel - Levels 3 & 4	May 18	West Branch
	June 15	Gaylord
Downloading Digital Pictures to your Computer	Dec 7	Gaylord

MIOSHA Safety Training		
Course	Dates	Location
Health Issues Relating to Construction	Jan. 18	Gaylord
Health Issues Relating to Health Care	Mar. 15	Gaylord
Industrial Hygiene for the Safety Professional	May 24 & 25	Gaylord

Management and Leadership Classes		
Course	Dates	Location
Leadership Styles	Feb 9	West Branch
	Feb 7	Gaylord
Managing Conflict	April 4	West Branch
	April 6	Gaylord
Building Effective Work Teams	May 2	West Branch
	May 4	Gaylord

Job Skills Training		
Course	Dates	Location
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	Mar. 7	West Branch
	Mar. 14	Gaylord
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	Dec. 20	Gaylord
	Mar. 9	West Branch
	Mar. 16	Gaylord
Electrical Code Update	Dec. 2&3	West Branch
	Dec. 6, 7, & 8	Gaylord

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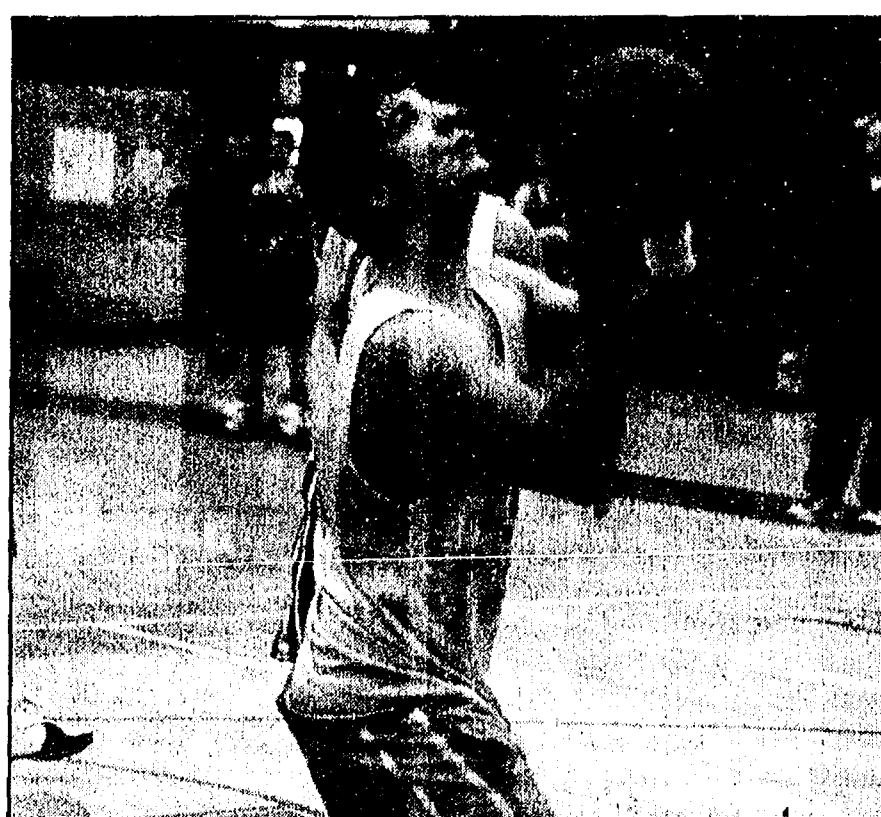
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## Vikings host basketball scrimmage



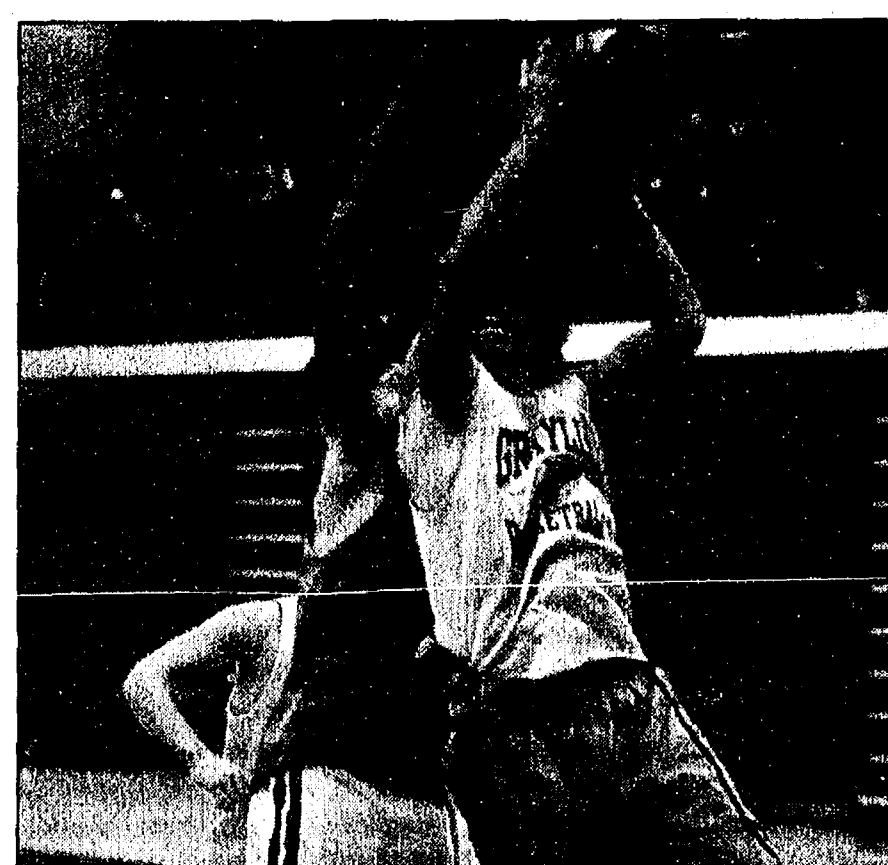
Ron Johnston handles the ball during a scrimmage match against the Cheboygan Chiefs last Tuesday at GHS. The scrimmage event also included Manton.



Zeke Hayes takes an inside shot for Grayling vs. Cheboygan on Tuesday.



Zach Dean fights for position inside vs. Manton in last Tuesday's preseason scrimmage event.



Zac Baker drives to the basket for GHS during a scrimmage session against Cheboygan.

## Golf squad announces team awards

The GHS boys' golf squad recently handed out team awards at its end of the season banquet.

The Vikings announced awards in the following categories:

Team wins: Rocky McNamara 1, Joel Collin 1, James Walker 1, Ron Johnston 14;

Medalist honors: Joel Collin 1, Ron Johnston 6;

Most Consistent: Rocky McNamara;

Most Improved: Joel Collin;

100% Award: Ron Johnston;

Rookie of the Year: Trent Larm; Most Valuable Player: Ron Johnston.

This year's golf team had seven medalist honors during the season, defeated 61 percent of its opponents, and had an 18-hole average of 34.0.

"These individuals comprise the third best team we've had in our 15-year history," Coach Herb Olson said.

The 2005 GHS boys' golf team included:

Freshman Aaron Nemeth: "We could tell Aaron had swung a club before, but not a lot of times. His improvement was substantial. In his first competitive 9-hole round he shot 71," Coach Olson said.

Sophomore John Ventline: "This was John's first year on the team and didn't come to us with a ton of golfing experience. Sometime that's frustrating for us and sometimes it's fun to start from scratch. John has a ways to go but he definitely made progress and is getting the hang of our game," Coach Olson said.

Sophomore Reid Holzbauer: "This was Reid's second year on the team. He's come a long ways from his freshman season. Last year he averaged 55.7 with a best round of 52. This year he knocked almost nine strokes off his average and his best round was 46. Reid will certainly be competing for a varsity spot next year," Coach Olson said.

Freshman Trent Larm: "Trent scored in two of our varsity matches this year to earn varsity status. He had one of the best ever 9-hole freshman averages with a 46, placing him right around 5th all time. His best round was an outstanding 41. Trent is going to be a great asset to this team for the next three years. And it won't be long before he's competing for the number one spot on this team," Coach Olson said.

Sophomore Ben Brown: "Ben played in four varsity matches to earn his varsity honors. He shot very consistent, averaging 46," Coach Olson said.

Sophomore Rocky McNamara: "This year Rocky's swing went from rocky to silky smooth. And I know that transition, which was early in the season, wasn't an easy one for him. It was a big change

and those are tough in this game. But Rocky still had an amazing year when playing in 9-hole matches. He was very consistent with scores from 42 to 45, and averaged 43.3, knocking over four strokes off last year's 9-hole average. The team used Rocky's score in 62 percent of the matches he played in. He defeated 325 opponents. He finished 4th at Forest Dunes with a 44, and was our team's best score at The Mallard with a 42," Coach Olson said.

Sophomore Jason Wilson: "Last year Jason's 90.5 18-hole average was the second best ever by a freshman. This year he had our team's fourth best 18-hole average. His best rounds were an 84 at the Boyne Invitational and an 86 at the Champion Hill District to help our team to a second place finish. The team used Jason's score in 14 of the 15 events he played in. He defeated 333 opponents this season. Jason has found a spot on this varsity squad and will be an important part of this team's next two years," Coach Olson said.

Junior Andrew Hart: "This was Andrew's second year on our team and there was definite improvement in his game. His season best 9-hole round was 46 and his best 18 was 91," Coach Olson said.

Junior Joel Collin: "Two years ago Joel's 18-hole average was well over 100. He finished this season with an 18-hole average of 86.9, placing Joel solidly in the top three golfers on this team and putting him in position to lead this team during his last season next year. He had two fantastic rounds during this season, shooting 37 at home to take co-medalist honors and shooting 78 in Cheboygan for a 4th place finish in that tournament. Joel played in every one of our matches this year. The team needed his score in 11 of his 16 rounds. He defeated 482 opponents," Coach Olson said.

Senior Mark Wejrowski: "Mark has been a dedicated member of this team for four years, during which time he has knocked almost eight strokes off his 9-hole average and 12 strokes off his 18-hole average. When he was a sophomore he defeated a Division 4 individual state champion. He played very consistent this year.

The team used his score in 44 percent of the matches he played," Coach Olson said.

Senior James Walker: "James is our only four-year varsity team member. His four-year career includes the third best ever freshman average and the best ever sophomore score at the Boyne Invitational. As a Junior he shot 78 in Cheboygan to place 8th overall, and he shot under par at The Mallard. He has received awards for all-conference, rookie of the year, most consistent, and team wins. His best rounds this year were a 79 for 6th place in Grayling and an 83 for a 10th place district finish. The team used his score in 15 of 16 events. And James finished this season with an individual record of 567 wins and 308 losses. He ended his career with a 68 percent winning percentage, defeating 2,104 of the 3,083 players contested, easily in the top ten all time individually," Coach Olson said.

Senior Ron Johnston: "What a great career. During Ron's three years with us, he took his 9-hole average from 43.3 to 38.4, and his 18-hole average from 85.3 to 77.7. Prior to this year Ron had received awards for all-conference, team wins, medalist honors, and most improved. He is number two best ever for a sophomore 18-hole average, number three all time junior average, and his senior average puts him only behind his brother Derek. This year he shot under 40 in six of seven 9-hole matches, and under 80 in six of nine regular season 18-hole matches. Ron was the course's best player six times this season. He played in every match and his team used his score in every match. His individual season record was 79 losses and 844 wins. His three-year career record showed 399 losses compared to 2,471 wins. He was recently named to the Record-Eagle All Region Team. Ron also received one very special award - just recently announced by the coach's association, and only the fourth player in our history to receive the honor - All State Honorable Mention. This award places Ron in the top 17 players among the over 600 Division 3 players in the state," Coach Olson said.



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# LEGAL ACTION

## Notice Of Foreclosure

AS A DEBT COLLECTOR, WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. NOTIFY (248) 362-6100 IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Claudine K. Stocker, a married woman of Crawford County, Michigan, Mortgagee to Long Beach Mortgage Company dated the 7th day of December, A.D. 1998, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Crawford and State of Michigan, on the 10th day of March, A.D. 1999, in Liber 0476 of Crawford Records, on page 352, which said mortgage was assigned to JPMorgan Chase Bank, formerly known as Chase Manhattan Bank, as Trustee for Asset Backed Securities Corporation Home Equity Loan Trust 1999-LB1, thru mesne assignments, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of \$28,882.11 (Twenty Eight thousand, Eight hundred Eighty Two dollars and Eleven cents) including interest there on at 10.99% (ten point nine nine) percent per annum.

And no suit proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on, the 4th day of January, A.D., 2006, at 10:00 a.m. o'clock said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front door to the county building, in Grayling, Michigan, Crawford County, Michigan, of the premises described in said mortgage. Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land situate in the Township of Beaver Creek, in the County of Crawford and State of Michigan and described as follows to wit:

The South one-half of West one-half of the West one-half of the SW one-quarter of the SE one-quarter, Section 17, Town 25 North, Range 3 West.

Commonly known as: 4436 Seven Mile Road

Tax ID: 050-017-015-040-00

The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: December 1, 2005

WELTMAN, WEINBERG & REIS CO., L.P.A.

By: Daniel E. Best, (P-58501) Attorney for Assignee of Mortgagee Weltman, Weinberg & Reis Co., L.P.A. 2155 Butterfield Drive, Suite 200-S Troy, Michigan 48084 WWR#04767764

-1-8-15-22-29

## Notice Of Foreclosure

PETER M. SCHNEIDERMAN & ASSOCIATES, P.C., IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT (248) 539-7400 IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

**MORTGAGE SALE**-Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by: Kevin J. Haberland, an unmarried man to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., ("MERS"), solely as nominee for Lender and

Lender's successors and assigns Homecomings Financial Network, Inc., Mortgagee, dated July 15, 2004, and recorded on July 22, 2004 in Liber 670, on Page 379, Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of THIRTY THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED THIRTEEN AND 89/100 DOLLARS (\$30,413.89), including interest at 7.625% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan, at 10:00 o'clock a.m., on, January 4, 2006.

Said Premises are situated in Township of Lovells, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

A piece of land commencing at the Northeast corner of the East one-half of the West one-half of the Northeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of Section 26, Town 27 North, Range 1 West; thence running South 520 feet, more or less, to the North line of River Road, thence West along the said North line of River Road 64.8 feet, thence North from the said North line of said River Road to the center of Fairview Road, thence East to the place of beginning; and subject to easement for highway purposes. Township of Lovells, Crawford County, Michigan

TAX ID NO. 010-11-026-05-080-00 The Redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated November 21, 2005

Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., ("MERS"), solely as nominee for Lender and Lender's successors and assigns Homecomings Financial Network, Inc.,

Mortgagee PETER M. SCHNEIDERMAN & ASSOCIATES, P.C. 23100 Providence Drive, Suite 450 Southfield, Michigan 48075

-1-8-15-22

## Mortgage Sale

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

Notice is hereby given that Default has occurred in a Mortgage given by Gary Rodden and Carolyn Rodden, husband and wife, Mortgagees, to Walter L. Weber, Mortgagee. The Mortgage is dated October 1, 2004, and recorded on October 8, 2004, in Liber 671, pages 891-892 inclusive, Crawford County Records. The balance owing on the Mortgage as of the date of this Notice is \$56,569.66, including interest at 11% per annum, and including 6 late fees. The Mortgage contains a power of sale clause and no proceedings have been instituted to recover any part of the debt owing.

The Mortgage will be foreclosed by selling the property described below at a public auction to the highest bidder. The sale will be held on Tuesday, January 17, 2006, at 11:00 a.m. local time, at the main entrance to the Crawford County Court facility, 200 West Michigan Avenue, Grayling, Michigan, that being the place of holding Circuit Court for Crawford County, Michigan. The property will be sold to pay the amount then due on the Mortgage, including interest, legal costs, attorney fees and any taxes or insurance which may be paid by the mortgagee before the sale.

The property to be sold is located in the Township of South Branch, County of Crawford, Michigan, and is described as: The East 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4, Section 25, T25N, R2W.

The redemption period will expire one

(1) year from the date of sale, unless it is determined that the property is abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period will be 30 days from the date of sale.

Dated: November 25, 2005  
s/ John E. Rosczyk (P22847)  
Attorney for Mortgagee, Walter L. Weber

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## Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by James W. Collen and Sandra S. Collen, husband and wife, original mortgagee(s), to Household Finance Corporation, III, Mortgagee, dated September 16, 2002, and recorded on September 24, 2002 in Liber 597 on Page 53, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Six Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty-Four And 40/100 Dollars (\$66,884.40), including interest at 10.48% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on January 4, 2006.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lots 5, 6 and 7, Block 7, Karen Woods Subdivision, Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 01 of Plats, Page 44, Crawford County Records, excepting and reserving all that certain property known as East 1/2 of Lot 6, Block 7, Karen Woods Subdivision, Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Plat Liber 1, Page 44, acquired by George Collen and Carolyn Collen by deed dated 3/27/2001 recorded 4/10/2001 in Deed Volume 533 Page 329, excepting and reserving all that certain property known as Lot 7, Block 7, Karen Woods Subdivision, Township of Grayling, Crawford County Michigan, acquired by Scott Collen by Deed dated 5/18/1998 recorded 5/19/1998 in Deed Volume 453 Page 607.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: December 1, 2005

For more information, please call: FC H 248.593.1300  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys For Household Finance Corporation, III  
30400 Telegraph Rd Ste 200  
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822  
File #074731F01

-1-8-15-22

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man to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Lender and Lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, organized and existing under the laws of Delaware Mortgagee, dated December 21, 2004 and recorded December 30, 2004 in Liber 673 Page 127 Crawford County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was subsequently assigned to: HSBC Bank USA, N.A., as Trustee for the registered holders of ACE Securities Corp. Home Equity Loan Trust, Series 2005-HE2, Asset Backed Pass-Through Certificates, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Eight Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty Dollars and Fifty-Seven Cents (\$78,850.57) including interest 10.55% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door to the County Bldg. in Grayling, MI at 10:00AM, on Wednesday, December 14, 2005. Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 3, except the East 33.33 feet thereof, and Lots 4, 5, 6, and 7, Block 1, Oak Hill Park First Addition, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 36, Crawford County Records. Commonly known as 8051 Margrethe Boulevard, Grayling MI 49738 The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. Dated: NOVEMBER 9, 2005 HSBC Bank USA, N.A., as Trustee for the registered holders of ACE Securities Corp. Home Equity Loan Trust, Series 2005-HE2, Asset Backed Pass-Through Certificates Assignee of Mortgagee Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 811 South Blvd, Suite 100 Rochester Hills, MI 48307 (248) 844-5123 Our File No: 05-40496 ASAP 733279 11/17/2005, 11/24/2005, 12/01/2005, 12/08/2005 -17-24-1-8

## Notice Of Foreclosure

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ATTN POTENTIAL PURCHASERS AT FORECLOSURE SALE: Green Tree Servicing LLC (f/k/a Green Tree Financial Servicing Corporation) may rescind this sale at any time prior to the end of the redemption period. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited to the return of your bid amount tendered at the sale, plus interest.

Default having been made in the conditions of a certain Mortgage made by Lionel Richardson and Mary J. Richardson, husband and wife, to Green Tree Servicing LLC (f/k/a Green Tree Financial Servicing Corporation), dated April 24, 1998, and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Crawford in the State of Michigan on May 4, 1998, in Liber 452, Page(s) 470, ct. seq., on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due as of the date of this Notice the sum of \$89,315.57, together with interest at 9.22 percent per annum.

NOW THEREFORE, Notice is hereby given that the power of sale contained in said Mortgage has become operative and that pursuant to that power of sale and MCL 600.3201 et. seq., on December 14, 2005 at 10:00 a.m., in the Lobby of the Courthouse in Grayling, Michigan, that being the place for holding the Circuit Court and/or for conducting such foreclosure sales for the County of Crawford, there will be offered at public sale, the premises, or some part thereof, described in said Mortgage as follows, to-wit:

LOT 3, JANICE MANOR, GRAYLING TOWNSHIP, CRAWFORD COUNTY, MICHIGAN, ACCORDING TO THE RECORDED PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN LIBER 3 OF PLATS, PAGE 22, CRAWFORD COUNTY RECORDS.

The redemption period shall be six (6) months from the date of such sale unless the property is abandoned pursuant to MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

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Green Tree Servicing LLC  
(f/k/a Green Tree Financial Servicing Corporation)  
Donald A. Brandt (P30783)  
Attorneys for Mortgagee  
1241 E. Eighth Street, P.O. Box 5817  
Traverse City, Michigan 49686-5817  
(231) 941-9660  
Dated: November 4, 2005

-10-17-24-1-8

## Notice Of Foreclosure

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Kurt A. Hogue, a single man, original mortgagee(s), to Countrywide Home Loans, Inc., Mortgagee, dated March 14, 2003, and recorded on March 20, 2003 in Liber 624 on Page 265, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Forty Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty-One And 56/100 Dollars (\$40,751.56), including interest at 5.375% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on January 4, 2006.

Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: LOTS 6 AND 7, BLOCK 8, MARTHA M. BRINKS SECOND ADDITION, CITY OF GRAYLING, CRAWFORD COUNTY, MICHIGAN, ACCORDING TO THE RECORDED PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN LIBER 1 OF PLATS, PAGE 29, CRAWFORD COUNTY RECORDS

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: November 24, 2005

For more information, please call: FC X 248.593.1302  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys For Countrywide Home Loans, Inc.  
30400 Telegraph Rd Ste 200  
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822  
File #074190F01

-24-1-8-15

## Foreclosure Notice

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**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Robert L. Butler, a Married Man

to  
First National Bank of Gaylord,

Mortgages, dated December 15, 2000 and recorded January 10, 2001 in Liber 526 Page 609 Crawford County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was assigned through mesne assignments to: SN Commercial, LLC, an Alaska Limited Liability Company, by assignment dated November 2, 2005 and recorded November 18, 2005 in Liber 678, Page 548, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Two Hundred Thirty Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy-Three Dollars and Twenty-Nine Cents (\$230,873.29) including interest 5.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door to the County Bldg. in Grayling, MI at 10:00AM on Wednesday, January 4, 2006.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lot 9, Janice Manor, according to the recorded plat thereof as recorded in Liber 3 of Plats, Page 22, Crawford County Records.

Commonly known as Lot 9 Janice Manor, Grayling MI 49738

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: NOVEMBER 30, 2005  
SN Commercial, LLC, an Alaska Limited Liability Company  
Assignee of Mortgagee

Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 811 South Blvd, Suite 100 Rochester Hills, MI 48307 (248) 844-5123

Our File No: 05-37742\_(SNS)

-8-15-22-29

## STATE OF MICHIGAN JUDICIAL DISTRICT CRAWFORD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COURT

CASE NO. 05 6853 CZ  
COURT ADDRESS 200 W. MICHIGAN AVENUE, GRAYLING, MI 49738.  
989-344-2841

PLAINTIFF  
WILLIAM H. NICHOLAS  
VS  
DEFENDANT  
MBC ASSOCIATES  
Plaintiff's attorney  
David R. Sabin P#9822  
115 Michigan Avenue  
Grayling, Michigan 49738  
(989) 348-5588  
TO: MBC ASSOCIATES

**IT IS ORDERED:**  
1. You are being sued by plaintiff in this court to quiet title to property in Grayling Township, Crawford County, Michigan. You must file your answer or take other action permitted by law in this court at the court address above on or before January 5, 2006. If you fail to do so, a default judgement may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint filed in this case.

Situated in the Township of Grayling, County of Crawford, State of Michigan, described as: Part of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 21, T27N, R3W, commencing at the Southeast corner of Section 21, T27N, R3W; thence North 89 degrees 39'52" West along the South Section line 326.21 feet; thence North 01 degrees 08'11" East 1329.68 feet to the South 1/8 line; thence North 89degrees 42'01" West along the 1/8 line 325.97 feet for a Point of Beginning; thence South 01 degrees 08'48" West 997.11 feet; thence South 89 degrees 40'24" West to the Easterly lot line of Lot 77, AuSable Woods #3 16.37 feet; thence North to a point on the 1/8 line that is 290.0 feet East of the Northeast corner of Outlot "A" (also identified on the recorded plat as White Pine Park); thence East along the 1/8 line to the Point of Beginning.

Date: 11-30-05  
HONORABLE JANET M. ALLEN  
P30817

-8-15-22

**Crawford County Board of Commissioners meeting minutes are now available on the county website: [www.crawfordco.org](http://www.crawfordco.org) eight days following the scheduled board meeting or may be obtained at the County Clerk's office for six (6) cents per page.**

**Sandra Moore  
County Clerk/Register of Deeds  
October 11, 2002**

## APPLICATIONS ARE NOW BEING ACCEPTED FOR A VACANT CITY COUNCIL SEAT

For the remaining term expiring in November 2007

Interested applicants can pick up an application at the City Clerk's office at City Hall or on the website at [www.city-ofgrayling.org](http://www.city-ofgrayling.org). Questions may be directed to the City Clerk at 348-2131.

Applications will be accepted by the City Clerk until 4:30 PM on Thursday, December 22, 2005.

The applicant must be a registered voter residing in the City of Grayling.

## GRAYLING TWP. ZONING BOARD TO HOLD PUBLIC HEARING

The Grayling Township Zoning Board of Appeals will meet in public session on Monday, December 19, 2005, at 7 p.m., at the Grayling Town Hall to consider the following request:

Case No.	05-015
Petitioner	Carroll & Darlene Knight 4965 N. Main St. Acworth, GA 30101
Prop. ID#	040-42-015-13-400-00
Lot Size	Approximately 60-feet wide by 203-feet deep
Zoning	R-2, General Residential

**Request** To connect and expand an existing home and garage. New construction would be 2.5-feet from NW lot line (same as existing home and garage), and 6-feet from SE lot line. Side variances of 7.5-feet on NW side yard, and 4-feet on SE side yard.

Text of zoning requests and zoning maps are available for review at the Grayling Township Hall, located at 2090 Viking Way, Grayling, MI 49738, during normal business hours.

Persons wishing to, may comment in person at the hearing, or send a signed statement to: Terry Wright, Zoning Administrator; PO Box 521; Grayling, MI 49738.

Terry Wright  
Supervisor

## GRAYLING TOWNSHIP TO HOLD PUBLIC HEARING ON SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT

The Grayling Township Board of Trustees will meet in public session on Wednesday, December 14, 2005, at 6:30 p.m., at the Grayling Town Hall to consider the following request:

Establish a special assessment district under Public Act 188 of 1954 (as amended) for the purpose of rebuilding that portion of Olde Dam Road from the intersection at Turner Trail to the intersection with Nottingham Road. All persons using that portion of Olde Dam Road for legal ingress/egress to the properties may be subject to this special assessment if approved by the Grayling Township Board of Trustees.

This hearing is open to the general public. Those who may be affected by the establishment of this special assessment are encouraged to attend.

Persons wishing to, may comment in person at the hearing, or send a signed statement to: Terry Wright, Zoning Administrator; PO Box 521; Grayling, MI 49738.

Terry Wright  
Supervisor



# LEGAL ACTION

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**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Robert L. Butler, a Single Man to First National Bank of Gaylord, Mortgage, dated October 7, 1999 and recorded October 8, 1999 in Liber 492 Page 325 Crawford County Records, Michigan and was partially discharged December 15, 2000 and recorded December 18, 2000 in Liber 525 Page 212. Said mortgage was assigned through mesne assignments to: SN Commercial, LLC, an Alaska Limited Liability Company, by assignment dated November 7, 2005 and recorded November 18, 2005 in Liber 678 Page 549 on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Two Hundred Thirty Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy-Three Dollars and Twenty-Nine Cents (\$230,873.29) including interest 5.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door to the County Bldg. in Grayling, MI at 10:00AM on Wednesday, January 4, 2006.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Parcel D: Part of the South half of the Northwest quarter of the Southwest quarter of Section 23, Town 26 North, Range 2 West, Grayling Township, Crawford County, Michigan described as: Beginning at a point located distant North 01 degree 17 minutes East along the West line of said Section 23 a distance of 1649.00 feet and South 89 degrees 09 minutes 37 seconds East, 665.54 feet from the Southwest corner of said Section 23; thence continuing South 89 degrees 09 minutes 37 seconds East, 332.77 feet; thence South 01 degree 25 minutes 55 seconds West, 329.92 feet; thence North 89 degrees 09 minutes 11 seconds West, 332.50 feet; thence North 01 degree 22 minutes 36 seconds East, 329.88 feet to the Point of Beginning.

Together with and subject to a 66 foot easement for ingress and egress and public utilities over part of the South half of the Northwest quarter of the Southwest quarter of Section 23, Town 26 North, Range 2 West.

Commonly known as Parcel D Chasebridge Rd, Grayling MI 49738 The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: NOVEMBER 30, 2005 SN Commercial, LLC, an Alaska Limited Liability Company Assignee of Mortgagee

Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 811 South Blvd. Suite 100 Rochester Hills, MI 48307 (248) 844-5123 Our File No: 05-39445 (SNS) -8-15-22-29

## RECORD OF CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

### Meeting held on the 14th day of November 2005

### PUBLIC MEETING

The Crawford County Brownfield Redevelopment Authority (CCBRA) will hold a public meeting on Thursday, December 8, 2005 in the Crawford County Building, 200 W. Michigan Avenue, Grayling, Michigan 49738. The purpose of the meeting is to receive public comments regarding an application by the CCBRA to the United States Environmental Protection Agency for a county wide Brownfield Assessment Grant. The Brownfield Assessment Grant application is available for review in the Crawford County Environmental office. For further information contact Bruce Patrick, Environmental Monitor, at 989-344-3258.

### Grayling, Michigan

Meeting called to order by City Clerk, at 8:01 P.M.

Members Present: Larry Akers, Joe Ferrigan, Kim McClain, Roger Moshier, Tom Wellman.

Members Absent: None.

Also in Attendance: Allen Lowe, City Manager, Michele Moshier, City Clerk, Karl Schreiner, Kay Cosgray, Bob Cosgray, Mark Hurley, Mary Ann Ferrigan, Kirk Wakefield, Dave Sahin, Doug Meroney, Gaila Gilliland.

Election of Officers.

a. Mayor

05-214

Moved by Wellman, seconded by Moshier to appoint Larry Akers as Mayor: Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

The City Clerk administered the oath of office to Mr. Akers as Mayor and he took over chairing the meeting at 8:04 P.M.

b. Mayor Pro-Tem

05-215

Moved by Moshier, seconded by Wellman to appoint Joe Ferrigan as Mayor Pro-Tem; Mr. Ferrigan declined.

Moved by Ferrigan, seconded by Wellman to appoint Roger Moshier as Mayor Pro-Tem: Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

The City Clerk administered the oath of office to Mr. Moshier as Mayor Pro-Tem.

Approval of Consent Agenda.

a. City Council Meeting Minutes for October 24, 2005

b. Street Use Permit for GUDA - November 19, 2005

c. Street Use Permit for GUDA - December 10, 2005

d. Street Use Permit for HD Movers - November 22-23, 2005

05-216

Moved by Ferrigan, seconded by Moshier that the Consent Agenda be approved as presented: Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried

Hearings.

a. Springs Window Fashions IFT Certificate Transfer.

Mayor Akers opened the Hearing at 8:07 p.m. This hearing to receive comments from the Assessor and the other taxing entities of the application for the request to transfer the IFT Exemption Certificate #95-288 to Springs Window Fashions. There being no questions or comments; Mayor Akers closed the hearing at 8:08 p.m.

Old Business.

a. Springs Window Fashions

05-217

Moved by Ferrigan, seconded by McClain to approve the request to transfer the IFT Exemption Certificate #95-288 commencing on 12/30/95 to Springs Window Fashions expiring on 12/30/07: Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

b. Parks & Recreation Committee

05-218

Moved by Ferrigan, seconded by Moshier to appoint Kim McClain to the Parks & Recreation Committee as the City Council Liaison: Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

05-219

Moved by McClain, seconded by Ferrigan to amend the Resolution Regarding the Expansion of the Parks Committee to replace the DDA requirement on the board with another general public member: Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

c. Derwich Agreement

The Council would like some clarifications and brought back to the next City Council meeting.

d. Council Rules

05-220

Moved by Ferrigan, seconded by Moshier to approve the City Council Rules as they exist: Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

e. 2006 Meeting Schedule

05-221

Moved by McClain, seconded by Wellman to approve the 2006 City Council Meeting Schedule as presented: Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

f. Capital Improvement Plan

05-222

Moved by Wellman, seconded by Moshier to hold a Capital Improvement Work Session on December 5, 2005 at 7:30 PM for the Council and another one on January 16, 2006 at 7:30 PM to include Gosling Czubak: Ayes: 4, Nays: 1 (McClain), Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

New Business.

a. Health Assessment

The Council would like to have some more time to review this program and would like to have back on the agenda for the next City Council meeting.

b. Budget Amendments

The Council would like to have some more time to review and would like this back on the agenda for the next meeting.

Citizens Who Wish To Speak.

The following individuals expressed their comments/concerns regarding various issues: Sheriff Kirk Wakefield, Kay Cosgray, Doug Meroney.

Reports.

ZBA, Planning Commission, Fire Committee, Bike Path Committee, CCEDP, City Manager, Councilman Ferrigan. Councilman Ferrigan stated that he regretted to inform the Council that this was going to be his last meeting; due to other demands with his job and his family he felt that he could no longer commit 100%.

Correspondence.

a. Letter from Visitors Bureau

b. League Legislative Link - October 26, 2005

c. Letter to Klaus Heinert - October 26, 2005

d. Week In Review by Matt Gillard - October 28, 2005

e. Police Department Monthly Report for September 2005

f. Nuisance Violation Report for the Month of August 2005

g. Nuisance Violation report for the Month of September 2005

h. 911 Activity Report for the Month of October 2005

i. League Legislative Link - October 31, 2005

j. Letter to Gosling Czubak from Visitors Bureau

k. Week In Review by Matt Gillard - November 7, 2005

l. Letter from MDOT - November 7, 2005

m. League Legislative Link - November 8, 2005

n. Election Results - November 8, 2005

o. Planning Commission Training p. Boards and Commissions - revised 11-10-05

Adjournment.

05-223

Moved by Ferrigan that the meeting be adjourned; Mayor Akers adjourned the meeting at 9:24 P.M.

Michele A. Moshier

City Clerk

## STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CRAWFORD

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

#### Decedent's Estate

File No. 05-7069 DE

Estate of Diane Ruth Phillips

Date of birth: 1/28/1940

NOTICE TO CREDITORS:

The decedent, Diane Ruth Phillips, who lived at 3725 Grove, Grayling, Michigan died April 30, 2005.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Matthew Phillips Good, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 200 W. Michigan Ave., Grayling, MI 49738, and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

Monte J. Burmeister P48732 108 E. Michigan Ave. Grayling, MI 49738 989-348-7114 Matthew Phillips Good 6640 S. Bonney Ave. Tucson, AZ 85706 801-562-4183

## STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CRAWFORD

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

#### Decedent's Estate

File No. 05-7073 DE

Estate of JAMES GUY FAULK,

DECEASED

Date of birth: 06/09/1931

NOTICE TO CREDITORS:

The decedent, James Guy Faulk, who lived at 6465 Twin Peaks Road, Frederic, Michigan 49733 died 10/22/2005.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Harry Wildfong, P.O. Box 191, Frederic, MI 49733, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 200 W. Michigan Avenue, Grayling, MI 49738, and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

Date: 12/01/05

David R. Sabin 115 Michigan Avenue Grayling, MI 49738 989/348-5588

Harry Wildfong P.O. Box 191 Frederic, MI 49733

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## STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CRAWFORD

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

#### Decedent's Estate

File No. 05-7068 DE

Estate of Harvey Benjamin

Burkholder

Date of birth: 3/2/1923

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Harvey Benjamin Burkholder, who lived at 1989 S. Wakeley Rd., Grayling, Michigan died October 3, 2005.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Clifford Lyle Burkholder, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 200 W. Michigan Ave., Grayling, MI 49738, and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

Date: November 13, 2005

Clifford Lyle Burkholder 1530 Roosevelt Ave. Lansing, MI 48955

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## Notice Of Foreclosure

Robert A. Tremain & Associates, P.C. is a debt collector and we are attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by RONALD L. TROJANEK MARRIED AND LAURA L. TROJANEK HIS WIFE TO FIRST FRANKLIN FINANCIAL CORPORATION, Mortgagee, dated October 11, 2002, and recorded on November 08, 2002, in Liber 606, on page 235, in CRAWFORD County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said mortgagee to NATIONAL CITY HOME LOAN SERVICES, INC. by

an assignment dated December 01, 2004, and recorded on January 19, 2005, in Liber 673, on page 393 in CRAWFORD County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of eighty three thousand twenty six and 72/100 Dollars (\$83,026.72), including interest at 7.625% per annum WITH AN ADJUSTABLE RATE RIDER.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of County Building, Grayling, MI, at 10:00 AM on January 11, 2006.

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP OF GRAYLING, CRAWFORD County, Michigan and are described as: LOT 5, WOODHURST SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN LIBER 03 OF PLATS, PAGE 05, CRAWFORD COUNTY RECORDS

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

DATED: December 08, 2005 Robert A. Tremain & Associates, P.C. 401 South Old Woodward Avenue, Suite 300 Birmingham, MI 48009-6616

ATTORNEY FOR: NATIONAL CITY HOME LOAN SERVICES, INC. Assignee of Mortgagee

For More Information Call: (248) 540-7701 -8-15-22-29

## Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Ronald G. Vrandenburg, Unmarried, original mortgagor(s), to First Franklin Financial Corp., subsidiary of National City Bank of Indiana, Mortgagee, dated March 9, 2004, and recorded on March 16, 2004 in Liber 666 on Page 883, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Wells Fargo Bank National Association, Trustee for the Certificateholders of First Franklin Mortgage Loan Trust 2004-FF6, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2004-FF6 as assignee by an assignment, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Four Thousand Five Hundred Sixty-Six And 54/100 Dollars (\$64,566.54), including interest at 6.625% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a

sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on January 11, 2006.

Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: The West 1/2 of the East 1/2 of the West 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4, section 7, Town 26 North, Range 2 West.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale.

Dated: December 8, 2005

For more information, please call: FC X 248.593.1302

Trott & Trott, P.C.

Attorneys For Servicer

30400 Telegraph Rd Ste 200 Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822

File #051691F02 -8-15-22-29

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**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Sheri Marie West, a married woman and Randall Keith West, her husband and Edward J. Walker, a single man, original mortgagor(s), to First Chicago NBD Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated June 2, 1999, and recorded on June 15, 1999 in Liber 484 on Page 01, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Five Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty-Six And 67/100 Dollars (\$65,886.67), including interest at 5.375% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the Front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on January 11, 2006.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lots 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15, Block 13, of Portage Heights, Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the plat thereof recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 23, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: December 8, 2005

For more information, please call: FC S 248.593.1304

Trott & Trott, P.C.

Attorneys For Servicer

30400 Telegraph Rd Ste 200 Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822

File #063537F01 -8-15-22-29

## CRAWFORD COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION BOARD POSITIONS

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners are presently accepting applications for the county planning commission.

Applicants are required to be county residents and to coordinate and implement the development and application of the county zoning ordinance. Members accumulate, tabulate, and study factual information relating to the physical resources and needs of Crawford County. Applications can be obtained from and submitted to County Clerk Sandra Moore by Thursday, December 21, 2005 at 3:30 p.m. or may be obtained on-line thru [www.crawfordco.org](http://www.crawfordco.org) and returned to Crawford County Clerk 200 W. Michigan Avenue, Grayling, MI 49738.

Sandra Moore  
County Clerk

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# FEATURES

## A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

23 Years Ago  
December 9, 1982

The fires hall's built, the fire truck is on its way and 20 volunteers are almost through training. Sometime in January, Beaver Creek Township is expected to launch its own fire department, ending years of paying for coverage from other communities.

Preliminary figures show the 1982 statewide deer harvest during firearm season dropped about 12 percent from a record kill last year, according to wildlife biologist Ray Perez, of the Grayling DNR field office. A DNR traffic survey estimated 153,000 deer were taken during the 1982 firearm season, about 20,000 less than last year.

Forty scientists at Camp Grayling will be out cheering the skiers when the white flakes finally fall. An Army Corps of Engineers crew and seven Defense Department agencies have been blanked by unseasonably warm weather in their efforts to test the effects of falling snow on modern weapon systems.

George Morse and Tim Taylor, both GHS seniors, have been selected to tour Europe in the Blue Lake International Orchestra. Morse and Taylor are the first GHS students selected for the Blue Lake International Orchestra.

Grayling wrestler's defended their title at the Michigan Lutheran Seminary Tournament

in Saginaw, bringing home five gold medals along with the first place trophy.

The Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce is kicking off the season with a "Winter Welcome Giveaway." Two complete cross country ski packages, including skis, ski bindings, leather boots and poles will be the center of attention as they are drawn for two lucky winter sports enthusiasts.

Jim Hill, GHS senior running back and linebacker, was named to the first team of All-Stars from the Michigan Huron Shores Conference, and Greg Helsel received honorable mention for his defensive and offensive line play.

Halloween III, Season of the Witch, is playing at the Rialto Theatre, December 9-12.

Christmas special at Essence of Beauty, all hair cuts \$5, December 10-23.

For the second time this season junior Tim Jones of Grayling has been named wrestling Wildcat-of-the-week at Northern Michigan University.

The GHS boy's varsity basketball team lost to Lake City when Lake City hit four free throws in the last eight seconds to spoil the Viking's comeback bid in their season opener.

46 Years Ago  
December 10, 1959

The Frederic varsity basketball team lost two games last week by

a total of four points. After going out in front by six points at half-time over Hale, the Eagles were outscored 15 to 8 in the third quarter and came out on the short end of a 43-40 score. Bill Johnson and Jack Smith each scored 11 points for the Eagles.

The 14th annual American Legion Kiddies Christmas party will take place at the new Legion Hall on US-27.

Glen's Market advertised Bisquick a 40 oz. box for 39¢, Oven Fresh cherry coffee cake for 29¢, Pillsbury cake mixes, two 18 oz. boxes for 49¢ and Florida seedless grapefruit, six for 39¢.

Welsh Ford Sales sold a Ford Fairlane 500, 2-door, to Jack Millikin. Jim Brown sold Bruce Smith an Olds Super 88 station wagon.

Jerry Larson, son of the Ernest Larson, filled his deer license with a nice spikehorn buck.

The Avalanche, for the first time in many a moon, was late going to press last week. The linotype broke down and necessitated a visit from Jerry O'Hara, machinist, formerly of Gaylord and now of Cadillac to repair it.

69 Years Ago  
December 10, 1936

Shortly after 1 p.m., a fire destroyed the meat packing plant of Schweitzer and Co., on Railroad Street. The plant was entirely destroyed and a very small portion of the contents were saved.

Sunday night about 8 p.m. a blizzard visited us and during this storm, the garage on the property

of T. J. Wells and it's contents including the family car, was completely destroyed by fire. The fire gained such headway with the gale that was blowing that the building was in flames before it was discovered by neighbors.

One of Grayling's most popular eating places, and known for years as the Hanson Restaurant, changed hands today when Frank Bennett bought out the business from James Bugby.

92 Years Ago  
December 11, 1913

A new addition has been built to the American Express office. Parcel post doesn't seem to affect their business any.

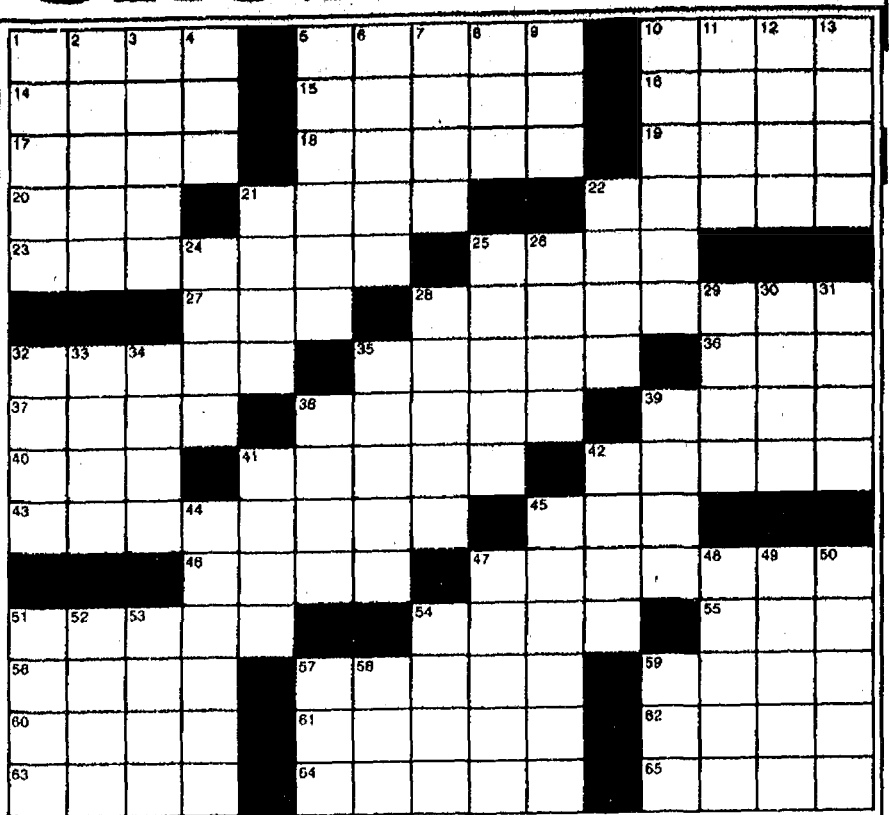
Servan Jensen, who drives a delivery wagon for Sorenson Bros. furniture store, had quite a painful accident. As he was getting into the wagon the horse started up, throwing him to the ground, striking his head and cutting a deep gash in his temple.

H.C. Holbrook and family have sold their home here and are moving to Tekonsha, MI. This takes from Grayling one of the oldest families, the Holbrooks having moved here from Branch County in 1882.

Members of the Grayling High School football team were entertained at a six o'clock dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. Joseph. The dinner was given by Miss Jacobs and Miss Yutzy.

Bert Shaw, son of Mr. and Mrs. Grant Shaw, returned home after about two years spent in the west.

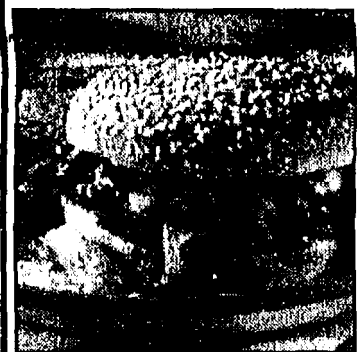
## CROSSWORD



- Across
- Accept possession of.
  - Imposingly fashionable and elegant.
  - Bare, sandy tract near the sea.
  - Smell.
  - Lofty nest of a bird of prey.
  - At any time.
  - Inactive.
  - Venomous cobra-like snake of Africa.
  - Wolfe, character created by Rex Stout.
  - Droop.
  - Lively.
  - Discovers something.
  - With accuracy.
  - Wingless, blood-sucking parasite insect.
  - Ang \_\_, director of The Hulk.
  - Resembling a root.
  - Poisonous substance produced by animals.
  - Very light brown.
  - South American wood sorrel.
  - Follow commands.
  - Put an end to an activity.
  - Hit with a heavy slapping blow.
  - Excessively.
  - Quick to perceive.
  - Occasions when food is eaten.
  - Shaped like a sword blade.
  - Small bed for a young child.
  - Shrewd when dealing with others.
  - Figure of a man used as a supporting column.
  - Richard Chevalier's character on Gene Roddenberry's Earth: Final Conflict.
  - Apply gold leaf.
  - The Lady \_\_, 1941 film starring Barbara Stanwyck.
  - Length times width.
  - Circular coral island surrounding a body of water in the ocean.
  - Small pond where fish are kept for the table.
  - Position in which the bar is above the platform but below the knees.
  - British for "police car."
  - Salicy.
  - Swing around.
  - Hand tool used to round and compact the edges of wet concrete.
  - Products of human creativity.
- Down
- Raise or lift.
  - Large, desert-dwelling antelope.
  - Longest river in Europe.
  - Rather than.
  - Subgroup of a population.
  - Tired of something.
  - Body of persons organized for the advancement of a cause.
  - Writing point of a pen.
  - Large, brownish-green New Zealand parrot.
  - Preventing an adversary from gaining information.
  - Without an irregularity.
  - Subset of geek.
  - Greek god of love.
  - Term commonly used for the uninflected part of a word.
  - Elaborate party.
  - Thick, heavy earth that is soft when wet and hard when dry.
  - Force onto another.
  - Balcony consisting of the forward section of a theater mezzanine.
  - Arm again.
  - 29th state of the union.
  - Abbreviation for kilocalorie.
  - Food.
  - Formal expression of opinion.
  - Very dark black.
  - Acronym for New England Over Shoes.
  - Smelling of beer.
  - Object that acts as a hindrance.
  - Any bristle-like organ.
  - From a great distance.
  - Matrix for casting metal.
  - Period of time during which glaciers covered a large part of the Earth's surface.
  - Lowest portion of a structure partly below ground level.
  - Accent mark placed over "n" in Spanish words.
  - Organization of rhythm in time.
  - Not secret.
  - Type of salamanders.
  - Exclamations of pleasure.
  - Mountain range in Russia.
  - Latin for "knee."
  - Percussion instrument consisting of a metal plate struck with a soft, hooded drumstick.
  - Primate with a short tail.
  - Williams, science fiction/fantasy author.
  - Mineral springs health resort.

## ANSWERS IN THE CLASSIFIEDS

## RECIPE OF THE WEEK



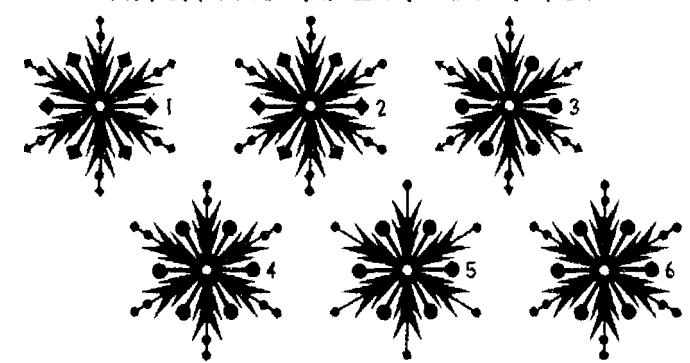
## PIZZA SLOPPY JOES

- 1 lb. ground beef
- 1 can (8 oz.) pizza sauce
- 6 hamburger buns, partially split
- 1 cup shredded mozzarella cheese

**BROWN** meat in large skillet on medium heat; drain.  
**ADD** pizza sauce; simmer 3 to 4 minutes or until heated through, stirring occasionally. Sprinkle with cheese; cover. Cook 1 minute or until cheese is melted; stir until well blended.  
**FILL** buns with the meat mixture.

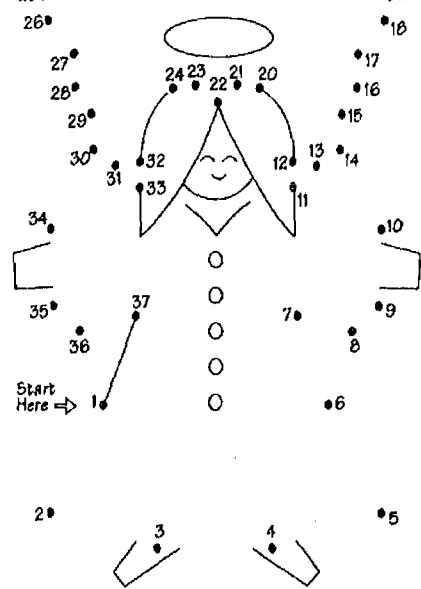
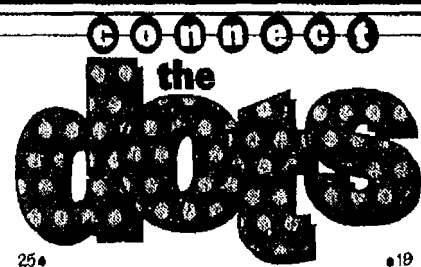


## FIND THE TWINS WHICH TWO ARE EXACTLY ALIKE?



## DID YOU KNOW ??

Venus is the  
only planet  
that rotates  
clockwise.



## HOROSCOPES

For the Week of December 8, 2005



CAPRICORN  
December 22-  
January 19

Grace under pressure gets you through a precarious situation. Your financial outlook improves with careful budgeting and a small investment.



TAURUS  
March 21-  
April 19

The week brings a welcome change of pace. Enjoy it! News from home makes you ecstatic. Invite some friends over, pop open a bottle of champagne and celebrate.



LEO  
June 22-  
July 22

Past, Cancer. Voices from the past call out to you. Pull out the old photos and take a trip down memory lane. Passion explodes and special plans are in store.



LIBRA  
September 23-  
October 22

You're plastered with suggestions. Heed only those that make the best sense for your situation. A tiny trinket makes the weekend bright.



AQUARIUS  
January 20-  
February 18

A risky financial venture pans out. Put your earnings to good use. Aquarius. Lines of communication break down at home and chaos ensues.



TAURUS  
April 20-  
May 20

Family ties grow stronger when a relative visits. Do what you can to make them feel welcome. A business relationship expands.



LEO  
July 23-  
August 22

To-do lists multiply. Enlist the help of family members to whittle them down. An announcement puts life into perspective and motivates you to make some changes.



SCORPIO  
October 23-  
November 21

A sordid affair wreaks havoc on your emotions. Get to the bottom of the problem fast, Scorpio. Your boss serves up a tall order. Get started on it right away.



AQUARIUS  
January 20-  
February 18

You've reached the line with a friend. Back off and take a break. Then consider whether you really want to end the relationship. Laughter lights up the weekend.



TAURUS  
March 21-  
April 19

Hey, Gemini. It's high time you treated yourself. Take a trip, buy something special or visit a spa. A loved one reaches out to you—be there for them.



LEO  
June 22-  
July 22

The week brings many problems. Relief comes from an unlikely source. An old chum side-steps a health crisis. Invite them over to celebrate the good news.



SCORPIO  
October 23-  
November 21

Nostalgia lights up a holiday party. Have fun reliving old times. A friend seeks your opinion. Be honest and don't hold anything back.

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**The Animal Shelter of Crawford County is located at:**  
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Between the Road Commission and the Eagles Hall  
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## WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling

Last Week				Extended Forecast					
Date	H	L	Snow	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
11/30	64	42	0						
12/1	57	26	0						
12/2	27	18	6	High 26	High 27	High 32	High 33	High 34	High 31
12/3	27	14	10	Low 12	Low 20	Low 23	Low 24	Low 18	Low 17
12/4	24	15	4						
12/5	23	14	0						
12/6	17	16	T	Furries	Partly Cloudy	Snow Showers	Few Snow Showers	Snow Showers	Snow Showers



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## Crawford County Avalanche

### 1. Real Estate

**\$99,000** For sale by owner, Higgins Lake area. 1500 sq. ft. home, 2 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, 28 x 20 living room, open floor plan, spacious sun room. 935 sq. ft. heated garage, large storage barn. www.lech.ws. 989-281-0321. (LR12/29/05/1)

### 1. Real Estate

**CRAWFORD COUNTY UNITED WAY** is seeking donations of buildable land for future fund raiser. Contact Linda Williams at 989-348-9300. (11/24/05tf/1)

### 1. Real Estate

**PRIME COMMERCIAL** good investment. M-72 West, 2 miles from town. 989-348-4981. (-1-8/1)

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### 1. Real Estate

**WANTED TO BUY** acreage or fixer upper house with large lot or acreage. Call 231-744-4694. (LR12/29/05/1)

### 1. Real Estate

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### 1. Real Estate

**SECLUDED, ELEVATED, SPACIOUS** 3 bedroom, 2 full bath ranch, possible 4th bedroom in full basement. New paint throughout, all appliances included. Stone fireplace with insert, oak cabinets, doors and trim, ceiling fans, walk-in closets. 8.89 acres of rolling hardwoods, access to trails, home on maintained hard top in Frederic. 24 x 36 pole barn, framed, trussed, needs completion. Appraised at 119k, asking 111k. Must see, must sell. 858-0027. (-8/1)

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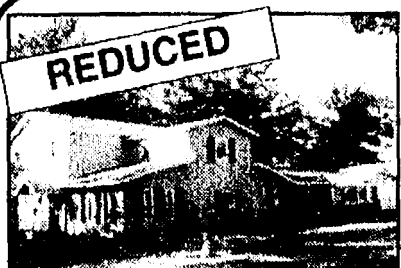
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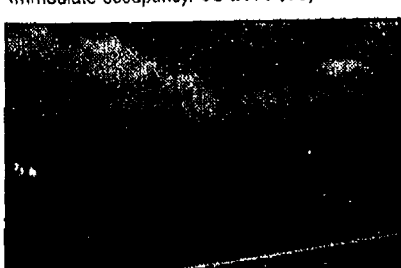
**DESIGNED WITH DISTINCTION.** This 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath home has many features. Kitchen offers hickory cabinets, 2 Lazy Susans and pantry. Top of the line appliances and Neptune washer and dryer to stay. Large laundry room with folding counter. Dining room offers wet bar and snack bar. Living room offers a gas fireplace and large family room. Large breezeway off garage with 1 1/2 bath. CS-2218 \$169,900



**LOOKING FOR A GOOD BUY?** This 3 bedroom, 1 bath home is located on a double lot (120 x 120). Hardwood floors. Large breezeway, large picture window in living room, open kitchen and dining area. Drywall has been freshly painted. New vinyl siding, 2 years old. New floors in kitchen and dining area. New furnace and hot water heater. Home has immediate occupancy and is turn-key. Come see the value! CS-2192 \$74,500



**THE PERFECT FIRST INVESTMENT.** This 3 bedroom, 1 bath offers 1700 square feet with new renovations. New cedar siding, new Berber carpet, new windows, new wiring, insulation and drywall. New dishwasher plumbed but not hooked up. New Corian counter tops and sink. New cherry kitchen cabinets. Newer furnace. Gas fireplace in living room. Immediate occupancy. CS-2114 \$79,500



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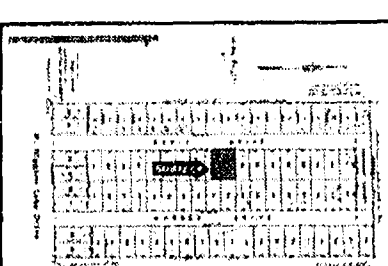
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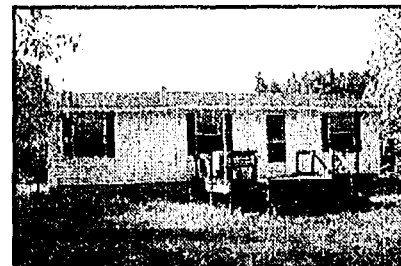
**WOODED, OVERSIZED LOT** in quiet subdivision. Close to North Higgins Lake State Park. Lot 90x132. Nice hardwoods. Great building site. CS-1179 \$9,000



**HOME COMPLETELY REMODELED** 960 s.f., 3 B/R, 1 bath home. Full finished basement plumbed for 2nd bath. Updated roof, windows, Pergo flooring and carpeting. 24x44 garage and 12x20 shed. Covered porch, deck and patio. Only minutes from town. \$99,500 CH-2119



**IN-EXPENSIVE HOME ON PRIVATE SETTING WITH 2.4 ACRES AND STATE LAND ACROSS ROAD.** 912 s.f., 2 bedrooms, 1 bath. Home has built over roof and includes pellet stove, refrigerator, stove, washer, and dryer. Large 16 x 22 storage shed, 12 x 40 carport, and 10 x 40 workshop. Perfect hunting or snowmobiling cottage. \$37,900 CH-2258



**4.8 ACRES W/POND CONVENIENTLY LOCATED ONE MILE FROM HOSPITAL.** 1,144 sq. ft. home with 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, vaulted ceilings and island kitchen cabinets. Home is located on 4.83 acres including pond. This home is conveniently located one mile from the City of Grayling. Includes 24x32 pole barn and 12x14 storage shed. This property excludes small one room log cabin. CH-2222 \$115,900



**35.7 ACRES +/- ADJOINING STATE LAND ON 3 SIDES.** Ideal recreational or developmental property. Close access to KF Lake with state land on 3 sides. Blacktop (CR612) on South and East side. Some vinyl replacement windows. Includes 8x12 storage shed, heated workshop and 12x22 pole barn with dirt floor. Guest cabin (mobile) with water & septic. Mineral rights owned by sellers and are negotiable. \$145,000 CH-2228



**AUSABLE RIVER ACCESS.** State land and snowmobile trail out your back door. Fabulous interior, 912 s.f., 3 B/R, 2 baths, cabin with vaulted knotty pine walls and ceiling, maple hardwood flooring, vaulted ceiling, gas fireplace, track lighting, sliding door onto 10 x 14 deck. \$84,500 CH-2238

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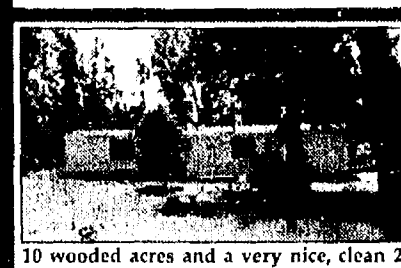
**Nice 3 bedroom home** offers private setting on 5 acres adjacent to state land. Large 30x40 pole barn is insulated and has a wood burning stove. Home offers energy efficient furnace and more. Must see! \$96,500 #5589



**Beautiful, freshly painted, 3 bedroom home** on 3.9 acres is close to state land and Black River in Otsego County. This home offers seclusion amongst the hardwoods. This property is great for recreation or year-round living. \$89,900 #5562



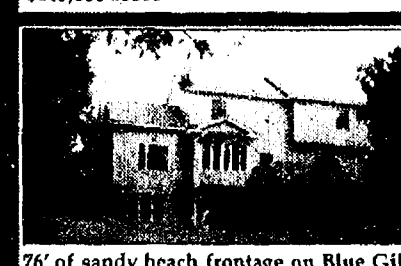
**Enjoy Lake Margrethe** from this beautiful two bedroom log cabin that has been totally updated. Home features vaulted ceilings, field stone fireplace, partial basement and much, much more. Also includes a two bedroom log guest house. \$143,000 #5560



**10 wooded acres** and a very nice, clean 2 bedroom - 2 bathroom cottage or year round home. Within a few miles of Wakole Lake, Knoff Lake and the Ausable River. Enjoy the seclusion, the campfires and this well maintained property! \$63,000 #5594



**20+/- Acres, state land** on 2 sides. On the Blue Bear Snowmobile Trail. PANTASTIC LOCATION for both hunters and snowmobilers! 1991 Cottage has 1,756 sq. ft., enough room for the whole gang! 2 car garage, generator, horse corral with shelter and a 1950's quaint log cabin. \$157,500 #5593



**76' of sandy beach frontage** on Blue Gill Lake. Exceptional home offers 4 bedrooms, 3.5 baths, 2.5 car attached garage, finished walk-out basement with a 20 foot Oak bar and a fireplace. This first class home has too many features to list. MUST SEE! \$299,900 #5554



**Spacious chalet** on a beautiful 2+ acre wooded lot with 256 feet of Ausable River frontage close to town. Home features 3 bedrooms, 2 and a half baths, whirlpool tub, gas fireplace, 2 car garage and shed. A perfect spot to enjoy seasonal recreation or live year round. \$160,000 #5556



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**Awesome 10-acre parcel** with frontage on a county maintained road. State land right across the street. Property is full of mature hardwoods and pine. \$35,000 #5584

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**GRAYLING** Two bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, stove, refrigerator, dishwasher, washer & dryer. Second level deck, privacy yard, carpet throughout, garage. Convenient location to hospital. \$625 plus security deposit. Call (989) 344-9070. (-LR12/08/05/2)

### FOR RENT Grayling Housing Commission

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**201 FULTON ST.** One bedroom, upper level apartment. Intercom from apartment to locked security door. Air conditioned, new kitchen cabinets, a very nice apartment. Individual locked storage in basement, with hookup for washer and dryer. Garage with auto opener. Non smoking and no pets. Must see to appreciate. \$450 per month. \$425 security deposit plus utilities. References required. call 989-348-7143 (-09/22/05tf/2)

### 1. Real Estate

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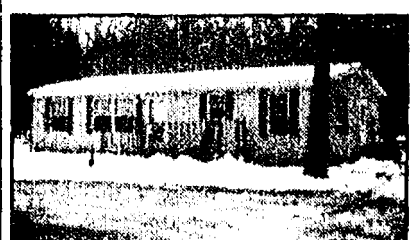
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### WEEKLY FEATURED LISTINGS



**Great up north getaway.** 1 bedroom, possibly 2 more. 1 bathroom, covered porch, large 30' x 30' garage. Lots of trails just minutes away.  
**#242342 \$79,500**



**This 3 bedroom, 2 bath home** is private and very well maintained. Situated at the end of the road, it is only yards to the AuSable River public access. Amenities of AuSable Woods Association include pool and clubhouse. It's ready for you to move in!! #242365 \$84,900



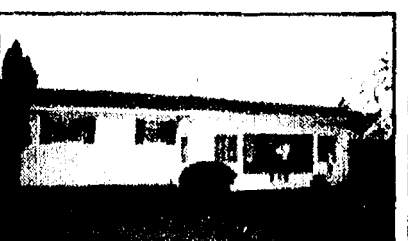
**This 3 bedroom, 1 bath home** is in excellent condition, ready to move right in, possession at closing. Includes appliances and has full basement and 2 car garage. Situated on 1 1/2 lots in the city of Grayling. #240895 \$79,900



**This is a turn-key cottage/home.** 3 bedroom, 2 bath located approximately 450' from Lake Margaret. All drywall, vinyl, and carpet. New stove, microwave, shingles, PVC plumbing, insulation in attic, windows in bedroom, hotwater heater, and electrical throughout. New cement patio and walkways around house, new garage door. Both sides of backyard are fenced. #242376 \$135,000



**Location, location, location** best describes this property. The 2 bedroom, 1 bath home is the perfect location for hunting, fishing, and snowmobiling. Backs up to Wakely Lake. Has a 24'x32' garage with upstairs, and 24'x24' garage for lots of storage. Offers home warranty. #240593 \$87,000



**Home on 2.5 acres,** zoned agricultural. Beautiful property, well maintained 1229 sq. ft. ranch with 3 bedrooms, 1 bath, 2 car garage, 40'x40' pole barn with metal roof and 40'x11' lean-to. Great location, warranty included. #241085 \$97,500

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**NICE CLEAN TWO BED-ROOM** mobile with garage, washer/dryer and appliances. \$450 plus deposit. No pets. 348-2418. (-1-8/2)

**RURAL MANAGEMENT GROUP, LTD.** currently has openings at Stone Manor and Maple Wood Manor both located in Mio. Rental applications are available on-site or contact Rural Management Group, P.O. Box 265 Hillman, MI 49746 or call 989-742-4020. Hearing or speech impaired TBS 1-800-649-3777. An Equal Housing Opportunity. (-1-8/2)

**3 BEDROOMS** 1 1/2 baths, 2-car garage, remodeled. New appliances, close to town, private. \$750 plus utilities. First, last and security, references. Non-smoking, no pets. 989-348-6141 or 989-348-8497. (12/01/05tf/2)

**FURNISHED 1 1/2 BEDROOM** with garage, off South Grayling Rd. \$500 a month, first and last months rent. Credit report obtained. 989-939-8965. (-8-15/2)

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### 3. Employment

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**PAID ON-CALL FIREFIGHTERS WANTED** The Grayling City & Township Fire Department is currently accepting applications for paid on-call firefighters. All persons who wish to apply, may pick-up an application at the Grayling City & Twp. Fire Dept. located at 1041 City Blvd. (next to city hall), Monday through Friday, 8 am to 4:30 pm, or call 348-6319 if you have any questions. All applicants must be able to pass a background check, physical ability test and medical evaluation before being hired. No experience or training is necessary. Applications will be accepted until Monday, December 19, 2005 at 4:30 pm. (-8-15/3)

### 3. Employment

### RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGIST

Otsego Memorial Hospital, a growing provider of primary health care services in beautiful northern Michigan, is seeking candidates for a full-time Radiologic Technologist position in our new state of the art facility. Must be ARRT registered or registry eligible; experience in general radiography required, CT experience preferred.

Applications are available on-line at [www.otsegomemorialhospital.org](http://www.otsegomemorialhospital.org) (click on Careers link). To speak to an individual in our Human Resources department, please call us at 989-731-2252.



## POSITION OPENING

### Proofreader - Part-Time

Job includes proofreading news articles and advertisements. Must be good with spelling and grammar, reliable and able to work within deadlines.

**Send Resumé to:**

**CRAWFORD COUNTY**

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**P.O. Box 490, Grayling, MI 49738**

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Mercy Hospital in Grayling is seeking a person to assume duties as a FULL-TIME O.R. Tech on the afternoon shift. Qualified candidate must have graduated from a qualified school for OR tech. or have the equivalent on-the-job training, RN with scrub experience will also be considered. 3-5 years experience as an OR Tech is preferred. Interested persons please send application to:



**Human Resources**  
**Mercy Hospital - Grayling**  
**1100 Michigan Ave - Grayling, MI 49738**  
**Phone (989) 348-0570 Fax (989) 348-0485**  
**[www.mercygrayling.munsonhealthcare.org](http://www.mercygrayling.munsonhealthcare.org)**

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### 3. Employment

## MERCY HOME CARE MERCY HOSPICE

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**Contingent Registered Physical Therapy Assistant.** Successful candidate should possess appropriate credentials. Homecare experience preferred.

**Contingent Speech Pathologist.** Successful candidate will be a graduate of an accredited program with concentration in Speech/Audiology Pathology required, Certificate of Clinical Competence from American Speech-Language-Hearing-Association required or must be enrolled in clinical Fellowship program.

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**Baker College of Flint**  
**1050 W. Bristol Rd.**  
**Flint, MI 48507**  
**Fax: (810) 766-4049**  
**Email: [hr-fl@baker.edu](mailto:hr-fl@baker.edu)**

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## PROPOSED NOVEMBER 9, 2005

### Establishment of Zones for Bovine Tuberculosis

(Identification, Testing, Permitting, and Movement Requirements)

#### All Zones within Michigan

##### Animal Identification

All cattle must be identified with RFID Electronic Identification eartags prior to movement from a premises within Michigan. Initial identification of cattle must utilize an RFID Electronic Identification eartag issued by the Michigan Department of Agriculture to the premises at which the identification occurs.

##### Livestock Inspection Point Check-Points

Any vehicle that may contain livestock must stop at any posted Livestock and Plant Inspection Point. Upon stopping of the vehicle, a person transporting the livestock shall produce documentation that contains the origin of shipment, official identification of livestock, any documentation required to move livestock, and the direct shipping destination of the livestock.

**Modified Accredited Zone** - includes the entirety of Alcona, Alpena, Antrim, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Crawford, Emmet, Montmorency, Oscoda, Otsego, and Presque Isle counties, and those portions of Iosco and Ogemaw counties that are north of the southernmost boundaries of the Huron National Forest and the Au Sable State Forest.

##### Surveillance Testing Requirements

All cattle herds must complete an annual whole herd bovine tuberculosis test of all cattle 12 months of age and older, and all goats, bison, or privately owned cervids 6 months of age or older in contact with the herd. Retesting of herds must be done within 9-15 months of the anniversary date of the initial whole herd test. Registered terminal operations, or feedlots in which all animals are sold for direct slaughter or through a concentration point for slaughter, are exempt from the annual whole herd testing requirement.

##### Movement Testing Requirements

###### Movement within the Modified Accredited Zone

- Cattle must comply with one of the following prior to movement:
  - Originate directly from a bovine tuberculosis accredited free herd, or,
  - Originate from a herd which has received a whole herd test within 60 days prior to movement, or,
  - Receive a negative bovine tuberculosis test within 60 days prior to movement.
- Calves less than 2 months of age may be moved if they originate from a herd that has completed a whole herd test within 12 months prior to movement.
- Steers or spayed heifers may be moved to a registered terminal operation, or between registered terminal operations without meeting tuberculosis testing requirements.
- Cattle may be moved to slaughter, or through a concentration point to slaughter, without meeting tuberculosis testing requirements.

###### Movement into another Zone within Michigan

- Cattle 2 months of age and older must comply with one of the following prior to movement:
  - Originate directly from a bovine tuberculosis accredited free herd, or,
  - Originate from a herd that has received a negative whole herd bovine tuberculosis test within 12 months prior to movement, and receive a negative bovine tuberculosis test within 60 days prior to movement (steers or spayed heifers do not need to meet the whole herd testing requirement).
- Calves less than 2 months of age may be moved if they originate from a herd that has completed a whole herd test within 12 months prior to movement.
- Cattle of any age may be moved to a specially approved registered terminal operation if they originate from a herd that has received a negative whole herd bovine tuberculosis test within 12 months prior to movement.
- Cattle may be moved to slaughter, or through a concentration point to slaughter, without meeting tuberculosis testing requirements.

##### Movement Permit Requirements

A Movement Permit is required to be obtained prior to movement of any cattle from a premises within the zone. All cattle with a destination of a concentration point must receive a new permit that identifies the final destination of movement, prior to leaving the concentration point facility. Cattle do not need to be re-permitted from the concentration point if they are moved directly to a slaughter facility that maintains a RFID Electronic eartag tracking system.

**Modified Accredited Advanced Zone** - includes the remainder of the Lower Peninsula of Michigan.

##### Surveillance Testing Requirements

All herds must obtain a premises identification number, and be placed into a database from which herds will be randomly selected for whole herd testing. Proportional samples of beef and dairy farms will be selected from each Michigan Agricultural Statistics Service agriculture district based upon the total number of farms in that district. Selection will occur on a two-year cycle.

Selected herds, or herds selected as a replacement for herds determined ineligible for testing, shall be subject to whole herd testing of all cattle in the herd 18 months of age and older, and all bison, goats, and privately owned cervids 6 months of age or older in contact with the herd. This testing must occur within 90 days after the person responsible for herd management receives notification that a whole herd test under this surveillance program is due and necessary.

##### Movement Testing Requirements

###### Movement into another Zone within Michigan

- Sexually intact cattle 18 months of age or older must meet one of the following prior to movement:
  - Originate directly from a bovine tuberculosis accredited free herd, or,
  - Be included in a whole herd bovine tuberculosis test at the premises of origin within 6 months prior to movement, or,
  - Receive a negative bovine tuberculosis test within 60 days prior to movement.
- Cattle less than 18 months of age, steers and spayed heifers, or cattle moving to slaughter do not need to meet tuberculosis testing requirements prior to movement.

###### Movement within the Modified Accredited Advanced Zone

- No tuberculosis testing is required for movement of cattle within the zone, or through a livestock concentration point to a final destination within the zone.

##### Movement Certificate Requirements

All cattle must receive an official movement certificate prior to movement to any other zone within Michigan, and a copy of the certificate must accompany the animals during movement.

**Bovine Tuberculosis Free Zone** - includes the entirety of the Upper Peninsula of Michigan.

##### Surveillance Testing Requirements

All herds must obtain a premises identification number, and be placed into a database from which herds will be randomly selected for whole herd testing. Proportional samples of beef and dairy farms will be selected from each Michigan Agricultural Statistics Service agriculture district based upon the total number of farms in that district. Selection will occur on a two-year cycle.

Selected herds, or herds selected as a replacement for herds determined ineligible for testing, shall be subject to whole herd testing of all cattle in the herd 18 months of age and older, and all bison, goats, and privately owned cervids 6 months of age or older in contact with the herd. This testing must occur within 90 days after the person responsible for herd management receives notification that a whole herd test under this surveillance program is due and necessary.

##### Movement Testing and Certificate Requirements

All cattle must receive an official movement certificate prior to movement to any other zone within Michigan, and a copy of the certificate must accompany the animals during movement. No tuberculosis testing is required to move within the bovine tuberculosis free zone, or to other zones within Michigan.

This order revises the order that established zones effective June 1, 2004.

Mitch Irwin, Director  
Michigan Department of Agriculture

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**J. DAP CO** gift store has gift certificates. Perfect for that person on your list who is hard to buy for. J. Dap is located at 118 Michigan Ave, in Grayling. (-8-15-22/8)

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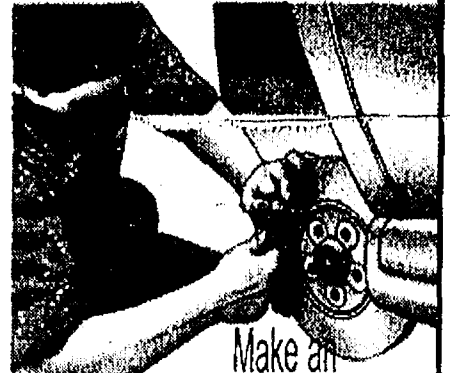
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